

## South Trace clubhouse opening ceremony set March 15

Fairfield's new clubhouse at the South Trace Golf Course on John Gray Road will officially open on Saturday, March 15. As workers put finishing touches on the new facility, limited operations have been underway in the new facility.

An opening ceremony at 10 a.m. will begin a day of tours and activities on March 15, with plenty of prizes being offered until 5 p.m. Golf Pros Dave Hartman and Keith Crutcher have planned a variety of friendly competitions, including longest drive, putting contest and closest to the pin.

To further tempt area golfers, prices will be discounted for golf and food during the opening celebration.

The new clubhouse has been used as a base of operations for the few days the South Trace has managed to open during the winter. The course opens when temperatures rise above 40 degrees. (To check if the course is open, call the pro shop at 858-7750.) Through February 29, greens fees have been



The Clubhouse at the South Trace of Fairfield Greens will open March 15 during a special open house.

discounted to \$12 for 9 holes and \$19 for 18 holes. (Youth and Senior rates are \$9 and \$14.)

After the old 1960s era clubhouse and adjacent reception facility were torn down in January 2007, work began on the new clubhouse. The new facility features a concession/grill area, new pro shop and a meeting space to accommodate community functions and

golf outings of up to 150 people.

Annually, golfers play more than 40,000 rounds at the South Trace, formerly known as the Pleasant Run Golf Course.

### New South Trace clubhouse to be available for rent

As with the former facility, the new clubhouse will be available for private functions. Its location overlooking the greens will continue to make it a popular venue for wedding receptions, parties and business meetings attracting up to 150 guests. Discounts will be offered to non-profit organizations wanting to utilize the facility. For rental information, call 858-7750.

## Home Expo returns April 5 to CAC

Fairfield's popular — and free! — Home Improvement Expo returns to the Community Arts Center on Saturday, April 5. The sixth annual event features a variety of contractors eager to share their knowledge to help residents with creative home enhancements large and small.

In years past, valuable door prizes have been given away amid informative presentations by exhibitors showcasing the latest concepts and designs in home improvement trends and techniques.

Other City departments also have

joined in with safety exhibits and items such as free recycling bins. The ever popular Bucky the Beaver is expected to return, although there is no word on the availability of his companion Becky the Beaver. In past Expos, family-oriented events included strolling clowns to provide children with fun and games while their parents gather helpful information for their next improvement project.

Details are still being finalized by the various volunteer committees and will be summarized in a spring mailing once plans have been finalized. For the latest plans, visit [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org).



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# How you can help road crews in clearing snow

Spring is fast approaching, but Mother Nature may still have a few wintertime surprises for us. While Fairfield Road crews have earned kudos for their overall efforts, they could use your help as they battle the elements in their quest to clear streets of snow and ice.

## Here's how you can help:

- If at all possible, park all vehicles off of the street to give plows plenty of room to maneuver. Having the streets clear of vehicles also provides the driver with a wider area that can be plowed for maximum efficiency.
- When using a snow blower or shoveling your driveway, do not place the snow in the street. Not only does the snow create a road hazard for drivers, it may end up back in your driveway on the next pass of the plow. As you shovel, placing snow on the left side of your driveway entrance (*right side as you face the street from your house*) will minimize the amount of snow that might be plowed back onto your entrance. Plows usually operate with the flow of traffic, so the less



snow picked up by the blade means less snow deposited in the cleared area.

- When crews plow, the snow naturally has to go off to the side of the road or into the right-of-way area, which — unfortunately — includes your driveway entrance. To save yourself some work, if you can, wait until the driver has finished plowing your street. Then shovel your apron. Crews may first clear a primary path down your street, but have a goal of returning to clear the street from curb to curb.
- Do not try to pass a snowplow or salt truck. It is recommended that

you stay 100 feet back from salt trucks as they tend to streets.

- Every truck has natural blind spots, so don't assume the driver can see you. Add a healthy layer of ice and snow, and it is quite possible that the driver cannot see your vehicle. Since plows sometime stop and back up to push snow deposits off the roadway, do not pull up too closely behind a salt truck.
- Never allow children to play in snow piles along the roadway. A plow operator may not see them as he approaches in less than optimal weather conditions, or if the children have burrowed into the pile.
- The City will not take requests for streets to be plowed. The City is divided into specific, pre-identified areas, each with its own priority. Usually primary roads are plowed first, with special priority to hills and other known trouble spots. Secondary streets are next, with cul-de-sacs receiving attention next. In the event of an emergency, a plow may be called off its regular route to accompany emergency vehicles.

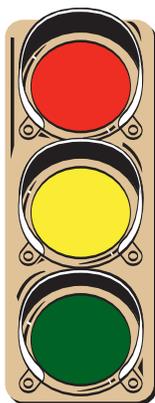
## New signals installed in 2007, more planned at Mack Road intersections

During 2007, Fairfield continued its aggressive replacement of older traffic signals with those supported by the newer mast-arm design. The new traffic and pedestrian signals utilize much brighter LED signal lamps. Despite their brightness, they only use 10 percent of the power needed by the older lamps.

During the year, the new mast-arm systems were installed at the intersections of John Gray & Winton Roads, South Gilmore & Mack Roads, and along State Route 4 at Nilles Road and Camelot Drive.

The mast-arm systems also include internally illuminated street and lane use signs, as well as optical camera-like systems that detect and control the flow of traffic. Each new mast-arm system also is powered by a

battery back-up that will continue to operate the signals during a power failure.



During 2008, new signals and mast-arms will be installed at US 127 & Magie Avenue and near West Elementary School at the intersection of River Road & Cole-Vinnedge. Traffic studies have also prompted plans to install signals on Mack Road at Shearwater Drive and at Benzing Drive.

Also in the works will be a replacement and redesign of the signals at State Route 4 and Woodridge Boulevard as part of the Ohio Department of Transportation's widening project along the southern end of State Route 4. That project is slated to begin this summer.

*You're Invited...*

### Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meetings

Held at the Fairfield City Building, Pleasant Avenue & Wessel Drive:

#### City Council

*2nd & 4th Mondays at 7 p.m.*

#### Planning Commission

*2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 6 p.m.*

#### Board of Zoning Appeals

*1st Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

#### Civil Service Commission

*2nd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.*

Held at the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive:

#### Parks & Recreation Board

*2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.*

#### Community Forest Commission

*1st Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

#### Cultural Arts Advisory Commission

*2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

## Rare opportunity offered

# Municipal court to grant amnesty during March

If you have an outstanding fine, unpaid court costs, have failed to pay restitution, or have a bench warrant for failure to appear stemming from judicial action in Fairfield Municipal Court, you may be in luck. Fairfield Municipal Court Judge Joyce Campbell will grant amnesty during the month of March.

Under the program, defendants will still be responsible for paying off the initial fine, court cost or ordered payment, but they can avoid arrest for a bench warrant or fines resulting from failure to address

court-ordered payments. They will, however, need to pay their financial obligations.

Those who are not sure if they qualify can refer to a large newspaper advertisement being created for publication by late February. The names of each person with outstanding court-related debts in Fairfield Municipal Court will be clearly listed in the ad.

Those who feel they may be listed in the ad can contact the Court by calling 867-

6002 and asking to talk with a supervisor to discuss their situation and clarify any questions they may have about the consequences.

Those with outstanding court-related debts after March, however, will not be treated with any special opportunities. Each will be held accountable for the full impact of not only their original obligations, but also additional fines, interest and resultant jail time for their irresponsibility.

## Gerold promoted to Lieutenant

Ken Gerold has recently been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant with the Fairfield Police Department. Under the Fairfield Police Department's command structure, three lieutenants report directly to the Chief of Police.



Ken Gerold

As lieutenant, Gerold will supervise the communications center, records, warrants, and the property/evidence room. He will also continue to be responsible for overseeing Fairfield's accreditation, a responsibility he also had while Sergeant.

Lieutenant Gerold joined the Department in 1988, earning Sergeant stripes in 1998. During his decade of service as Sergeant, Gerold supervised road patrol and investigations.

Lieutenant Gerold attended the University of Cincinnati and graduated from Northwestern University's Staff and

Command Program.

He and his wife Shari have one daughter and two dogs. When he is not working, he enjoys camping, hiking and reading.

## Police Civil Service test to be March 1

The Fairfield Police Department is looking for a few good men and women. To ensure that the City has a current list of qualified recruits for police officers, a Civil Service test will be administered on Saturday, March 1. The test is comprised of multiple-choice questions to identify candidates with an aptitude for police work.

A passing score of 70 percent is necessary to be scheduled for succeeding steps in the hiring process, which includes a structured oral interview, extensive background investigation, polygraph test, medical examination (including drug screen), physical agility test and psychological evaluations.

Applications, available at the Reception Desk of the Fairfield Municipal Building,

will be accepted February 4 - 15. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age at the time of the test, but cannot be older than 35 years of age at the time of appointment. Study guides are also available at the Reception Desk at a cost of \$4 (cash or check only).

In addition to a variety of fringe benefits, the starting salary of a Fairfield Police Officer is \$45,822, increasing to \$50,169 after one year, \$54,412 after two years and \$59,009 after three years. The salary range for a patrol officer currently tops out at \$63,752. After gaining appointment, a recruit earns an hourly rate of \$19.03 while in training for certification.

Details relating to the test are available with the application, from the Civil Service Office, or at [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org).

## Crime stats show downward trend in overall reports

Since 1995, overall crime in Fairfield has trended downward, according to crime statistics recently released by the Fairfield Police Department. In 1995, a total of 3,179 crimes were reported to the Fairfield Police Department. In 2007, 2,287 crimes were reported.

The overall numbers were also slightly improved over 2006 statistics, when 2,323 overall crime reports were made.

Below is a review of Fairfield's crime statistics, as compiled by the Police Department:

FAIRFIELD CRIME REPORTS				
	2007	2006	2005	1995
Auto Theft	103	88	114	120
Theft	1126	1200	1292	1575
Burglary	259	282	250	384
Assault	736	704	705	1051
Robbery	41	27	33	42
Rape	21	19	18	7
Homicide	1	3	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2287</b>	<b>2323</b>	<b>2412</b>	<b>3179</b>

# 2008 Afterprom Committee seeks your help

Adults are often quick to point out the myriad of reasons teens should not involve themselves with alcohol and drugs. Annually, a chilling outdoor drama is staged for prom-age students demonstrating the aftermath of a fatal

car crash, complete with a medical helicopter swooping in to fly away critically "injured" victims. A body bag arrives for those not so lucky.

Yet, somewhere — perhaps here in

Fairfield — alcohol or other drugs will spell tragedy for well-dressed teens on a night that should be a happy, lasting prom night memory.

Again this year, Fairfield businesses and residents are being asked to give their best to help ensure students have a safe, chaperoned, alcohol and drug-free afterprom party.

Sponsored by the Afterprom Committee, the event will again be held at Fairfield High School. The event will be offered from midnight to 4 a.m. on Sunday, May 18, immediately following the Saturday evening formal prom.

The committee seeks to attract more than 1,000 students with a night of entertainment including casino-type games, a hypnotist, inflatables, a live band, and as many doorprizes as a generous community can supply.

With a budget of \$23,000, the event requires scores of volunteers and donations from local businesses. Already, **Bridgewater Falls** and **Performance Toyota** have generously stepped up to sponsor this year's FHS Afterprom event.

To lend a hand, to find out other ways you or your business can help with the event, or to purchase a raffle ticket for a 2-year lease on a Toyota Sienna, contact Kim McAbee at 479-0544 ([KMcaBee21@aol.com](mailto:KMcaBee21@aol.com)) or Sharon Ko 515-1396 ([Sko@cinci.rr.com](mailto:Sko@cinci.rr.com)).



## Fundraisers Underway

Performance Toyota is offering a one percent cash back donation from the sale of vehicles to the afterprom fund. Flyers around Fairfield have details of the incentive program, along with an important coupon to present at the time of purchase.

Performance Toyota is also sponsoring a raffle for a 2-year lease on a Sienna Minivan as a prom night fundraiser.

## Facts about Fairfield income tax (due April 15)

**File City taxes on-line:** The City of Fairfield now offers taxpayer's an on-line filing system that allows taxpayers to complete their Fairfield return on line. If you meet specific requirements you may be able to e-file your return. Tax forms and the on-line filing system are now available at <http://www.fairfield-city.org/Finance/tax/index.cfm>.

### Who has to file?

All residents of the City of Fairfield (including retirees) who are 18 years or older (regardless of income) and those 16 years and older (if working) must file an income tax return.

### What has to be filed?

A valid individual return includes any W-2s and/or schedules and original signature(s).

### When should it be filed?

The City tax return must be received in the Fairfield Tax Office by April 15, unless a taxpayer requests an extension, which also must be filed by April 15. Extensions to file will only be granted to accounts in good standing.

### Where is the Income Tax Office?

The Income Tax Division is located in the Municipal Building Annex at 701 Wessel Drive.

### Why does a return have to be filed?

Fairfield's mandatory filing ensures that all earnings, if any, are reported and any tax due is remitted to the City.

### How can I get help?

Call 867-5327, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for free help in preparing your Fairfield return.

## You may qualify for FREE federal tax prep

While the Fairfield Income Tax Office will help any resident with the filing of City tax forms, low income residents may qualify for free federal tax preparation and free e-filing of their federal taxes for a faster refund under a countywide program. To see if you qualify, call the Butler County Helpline at 2-1-1. The service is particularly helpful to those able to claim an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Families with no children and an annual income of less than \$12,590 (*\$14,590 if married and filing jointly*) qualify and may be eligible for up to \$428 in EITC.

Families with one child may earn up to \$33,241 (*\$35,241 if married and filing jointly*) and can receive up to \$2,853 in EITC.

Families with two children may earn up to \$37,783 (*\$39,783 if married and filing jointly*) and can receive up to \$4,716 in EITC.

Taxes for those who qualify will be completed without charge at the Fairfield Lane Public Library on designated Saturdays and Thursdays. An appointment is required by calling the Butler County Helpline at 2-1-1.

Bring a picture ID, Social Security cards for those to be included on the return, copies of all W-2s, 1098s, 1099s, and any other income records for 2007. Be sure to have records — as applicable — for any student loan repayments, the tax identification number of child care providers, and Form 8332 for non-custodial parents claiming a child as a dependent.

A copy of the filer's 2006 income tax return would be helpful, but not necessary.



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# Fairfield OH BUSINESS BOOSTER

February 2008

## Fairfield's Green initiative

Over the last year the Fairfield Energy Team has been meeting and benchmarking past and present energy costs. For 2008 the Energy Team is adding greenhouse gas reduction to the mix. The City will analyze the City's "Carbon Footprint," which is a measure of the impact human activities have on the environment in terms of the amount of greenhouse gases produced.

Good energy decisions not only reduce cost, they help the global community by reducing carbon emissions. This energy initiative is a top priority, with Carbon Footprint results for City facilities released the first quarter of 2008.

## Antique Mall locates to Woodridge Plaza

After years of vacancy, the former Van Luenen's building at Woodridge Plaza on State Route 4 will house a new retail facility. The Ohio Valley Antique Mall has leased the entire area formerly housing the department store.



Dealers interested in space at the facility can contact the Ohio Valley Antique Mall at 874-7855.

The operation is expected to be a major outlet for antiques, collectibles and design decor, with more than 65,000 square feet of display area featuring more than 500 dealers.

The mall is the creation of Terri Spoerl and Paula Faxon, both of whom worked in West Chester's Brass Armadillo on Crescentville Road. After years of operation, the Brass Armadillo closed a few months ago, leaving a major void in the area's antiques market. With Terri's experience as a manager at the facility and Paula's involvement as a dealer, the two joined together to open the new Ohio Valley Antique Mall.

specific guidelines on merchandise to ensure that items sold in the center are true antiques and collectibles.

Once open, the Ohio Valley Antiques Mall will operate seven days a week, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The mall is projected to be open by early February.

As a regional attraction, the Ohio Valley Antique Mall is anticipated to have a positive impact on neighboring businesses along State Route 4.

For more information, or to learn about leasing opportunities, visit [www.ohiovalleyantiques.com](http://www.ohiovalleyantiques.com).

## Numbers to Know

- Building/Zoning:** 513/867-5318
- Customer Service:** 513/867-5351
- Development Services:** 513/867-5345
- Fire Prevention:** 513/867-5379
- Economic Development:** 513/867-5345
- City Income Tax:** 513/867-5327
- Utilities/Billing:** 513/867-5370
- General Info:** 513/867-5300

After looking at numerous options around the region, Terri and Paula chose the old Van Luenen's location for their new business.

In an antique mall, individual dealers lease space. Dealers, however, do not operate individual registers in their display area. Every item is specially coded so that when a sale is made at the front registers, a percentage of the sale is retained by the mall to offset costs.

The mall will establish



## Brown-Campbell construction progressing toward summer opening

Michigan-based manufacturer/distributor Brown-Campbell appears to be on-schedule for a summer completion of its new 120,000 square foot facility on Quality Boulevard. The \$9.2 million project is being constructed on an eleven acre tract in the Fairfield Commerce Center.

The new building will house operations now located in Blue

Ash, where the company has outgrown its facility there. The move will bring 28 jobs to Fairfield, with the projection of another 22 new jobs to be created over the next three years.

Company and local officials, shown above, turned the ceremonial first shovels of dirt while a big rig in the background turned some major piles at the event.

# Gray, Wolterman to lead Fairfield Chamber

Neal Gray has been elected the new Board Chairperson of the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. Steve Wolterman is the board's new Vice-Chair. Cathy Topits has been selected as Treasurer/Secretary. In addition, Paulette Helm, Greg Ossmann and Perry Richardson have become the newest members of the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce Board.

After 30 years in Information Technology, seminar leadership and business coaching, Gray now represents SendOutCards.com and is an independent distributor and area director for AmSpirit Business Connections.

Wolterman is an attorney with Millikin & Fitton, focusing in Commercial/Business Transactions, Estate Planning & Probate and Personal Injury Litigation. He is also active with the Fairfield Kiwanis Club.

Topits is Assistant Vice President of First Financial Bank, where she is Assistant Manager of the Town

Center branch. She been with First Financial for 23 years, most of the time at the Gilmore branch.

Helm is banking office manager and assistant vice president for the Huntington Bank office at Bridgewater Falls. She has been in the banking field for 26 years.

Ossmann is Director of Public Relations and Marketing for Mercy Hospital Fairfield. He has led public relations for three Fortune 500 companies.

Richardson is public affairs director for Miami University Hamilton. Previously, he worked as a public affairs specialist at the Fernald site. He has also worked as a reporter/editor for *The Journal News*.

Other Chamber board members are Tim Boellner (*AurGroup*), Dan Goebel (*Receptions*), Greg Kathman (*City of Fairfield*), Jerry Keller (*retired*), Sue Morin (*Gorman's*) and Bill Solazzo (*Butler Tech*). 

## New county insurance program offers healthcare alternative

With costs soaring every year, businesses are often hard pressed to provide affordable health

insurance options for their workers. Under the leadership of Butler County Commissioner

Greg Jolivet, a new program named HealthShare was recently introduced for employees of Butler County businesses.

Healthshare is designed as an affordable health insurance solution for the working uninsured employed in Butler County. It is a limited medical program whose benefits are intended to build a healthy community on a foundation of basic, routine and preventive care. The program is intended to provide a healthcare solution to employees who cannot afford one or are not enrolled in a major medical plan. HealthShare is not intended to replace an existing major medical policy and does not provide catastrophic benefits.

For more information, visit [www.healthshare-butlercounty.com](http://www.healthshare-butlercounty.com). 



## Edwards addresses Chamber



Nationally recognized broadcaster Bob Edwards, shown here with Fairfield Council Member Mike Oler, was the keynote speaker during a December luncheon sponsored by the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce.

He is host of XM Public Radio's morning program *The Bob Edwards Show*, which features in-depth interviews with newsmakers, entertainers and other compelling figures. Before joining XM in 2004, Edwards hosted *National Public Radio's Morning Edition* for 25 years.

## FOCUS ON: Butler Water Systems Water is his business

Butler Water Systems LLC of Fairfield will celebrate 35 years of business in April. Started in the basement of his home in 1973, Arthur Friedrich soon moved his operations to a modest office at his sister's C&G Dry Cleaners on Pleasant Avenue.

Business was good. By 1974, Arthur moved down the street to 5127 Pleasant Avenue to larger facilities. With continued growth and a need for a more permanent location, Butler Water Systems moved again in 1986 to its currently location at 4851 Pleasant Avenue.

In 1973, Butler Water Systems was one of the first water treatment dealerships in Butler County. Today, the business addresses the needs of residential, commercial and industrial customers throughout the tri-state area and offers sales, installation and service



Arthur Friedrich, far right, stands with wife Jan and employees Gary McFarland and Sue Stout outside Butler Water Systems on Pleasant Avenue.

for point of use and point of entry water treatment for drinking water, water softener systems and disinfection systems of all sizes and types.

Despite the success of his business, Art has never been too busy to give back to his community and remains an active member of the Fairfield Rotary, as well as the Cincinnati and Fairfield Chambers of Commerce. He also volunteered

as a ski patroller at Perfect North Slopes since 1980. He volunteered at the 2001 Women's World Cup Downhill Races and the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City.

Before starting his business, Art served with the U.S. Navy from 1961-67 aboard the USS Thomas A. Edison, a nuclear powered submarine. 

For information about Butler Water Systems, call 863-5700.



# Upcoming Programs from Fairfield's Department of **Parks & Recreation**

Visit us anytime at [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org)

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# Looking FOREward to the March 15 opening of the South Trace Clubhouse

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# SPECIAL/SEASONAL EVENTS

## Birdhouse Workshop

Join the Fairfield Community Forest Commission for this annual workshop. Tim Coats of Wildbirds Unlimited will be on hand to discuss where exactly to place the birdhouse and what to expect thereafter. Space is limited, so register early to guarantee your kit. (Parents that accompany a child are not required to pay, unless they decide to build a birdhouse as well.)

Date	Day	Time	Fee
March 8	Saturday	10 am - 12 pm	\$10/kit*

\*This event is reserved for Fairfield residents only.

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

## Easter Extravaganza

Join the Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department and AurGroup Credit Union for the annual Easter Egg Extravaganza at Harbin Park. Visits and photographs with the Easter Bunny will be available, along with a jellybean-guessing contest, with plenty of prizes. Age group hunts are offered for Fairfield children 3 and under, 4 & 5 year olds, and 6 to 8 year olds.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
March 15	Saturday	11 am	FREE

**Location:** Harbin Park (lower end soccer fields)

## Wine Tastings

Ever walk down the wine isle and wonder which wine is right for that special meal or party you are hosting? Join us for an evening of tasting wine so you can make that perfect selection for your special occasion. Hors d'oeuvres will be available throughout the evening. The tasting is limited to those at least 21 years of age. Previous wine tasting events have proven to be quite popular, so make your reservations early. Tasting menus will be available online at [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org) two weeks before each date. Make it a group outing, table reservations (8 people) are available for \$150.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
February 8*	Friday	7 - 9 pm	\$20 per person
March 14*	Friday	7 - 9 pm	\$20 per person
April 11*	Friday	7 - 9 pm	\$20 per person
May 9*	Friday	7 - 9 pm	\$20 per person

\*Kids Night Out Available

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room

## Salsa Socials

Salsa Underground returns to the Fairfield Community Arts Center this September with a new series of socials that are all about dancing. The new format of these events will include the one hour Salsa class, open dancing, Salsa line dancing, Meringue line dancing, Cha Cha Cha line dancing, and Salsa Casino Rueda dancing.

The ladies of Fairfield would like to invite more men to this fun and exciting dance social. It is all about the dancing and is a great way to meet new people. A cash bar will be open with free snacks throughout the night.

Date	Day	Time
February 15	Friday	8 pm - 12 am
April 18	Friday	8 pm - 12 am

**Fees:** \$10 admission includes dance class 8 pm, \$5 after 9 pm (\$7/\$3 with student ID)

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room

## Saturday Morning Movies

Enjoy a Saturday morning movie at the Community Arts Center, courtesy of the Fairfield Police Department. On the second Saturday of February and March, movies will be presented free of charge. Parents may drop off children of elementary age after 9:30 a.m. (Younger children must be accompanied by an adult.)



Date	Day	Time	Feature	Fee
Feb 9	Sa	10 am - 12 pm	Shrek II	Free
Mar 8	Sa	10 am - 12 pm	Shrek III	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

## Riverbank Poetry Project

Join the Riverbank Poetry Project as they hold their free event that is open to the public on the second Tuesday of the month at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. The Riverbank Poetry Project serves as a forum for local poets, inclusive of all abilities and ages, in a friendly, nurturing and welcoming environment. Their mainstay event encourages poets of all ages and ability levels to step up to the microphone and let their words flow. Each event will begin at 6:30 pm with live music and refreshments, at 7:15 pm there will be special performances from dynamic local poets, and at 8:00 pm there will be an open microphone poetry featuring you.

Date	Day	Time	Featured Event	Fee
Feb 12	T	6:30 pm	Open Mic & Jillian Weise	Free
Mar 11	T	6:30 pm	Poetry Slam Competition (cash prizes)	Free
Apr 8	T	6:30 pm	Open Mic & Keith Wahle	Free
Apr 25	F	6:30 pm	Student Poetry Competition Reading	Free
May 13	T	6:30 pm	Open Mic & Slammin' John Kraimer	Free

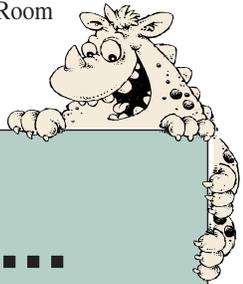
**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room

## Mother/Son Dance: Country Hoe-Down

Hey partners, all moms, aunts, grandmothers, & caregivers--can enjoy a special evening with their special boy on Saturday, April 26. The theme for this event is "Country Hoe-Down" and the room will be decorated in a western theme. Boys can wear their best outfit and moms can wear their dresses or all are welcome to come in their western attire. Dancing to D. J. music, eating Barbeque and hot dogs, taking a keepsake photograph and making your own ice cream sundae will fill the evening with unforgettable memories for moms and sons both! Register early!

Date	Day	Time	Fee
April 26	Sa	7 - 9 pm	\$7

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room



# Nothing kills a program faster...

than waiting for the last minute to register. The decision to cancel a class due to low enrollment is usually made the week before the session begins. Registering late may mean the class had already been cancelled. **Don't wait too long to register!**



# THEATER

## Freedom Bound

Part of the EnterAct Family Series: productions for all ages

A PRODUCTION BY MAD RIVER THEATER WORKS

SPONSORED BY:

PELLA CORPORATION – FAIRFIELD OPERATIONS  
RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT CINCINNATI NORTH  
LEBANON CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK



### Ohio Arts Council

The Ohio Arts Council helped fund this program with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans.

*Freedom Bound* is an original play with music that tells the story of the most important incident in the history of the Underground Railroad in Ohio. The show follows the story of Addison White, a slave who escaped from Kentucky and traveled the Railroad north to Mechanicsburg. Given refuge by a farmer, he was soon discovered there by Federal Marshals. What happened next is a tribute to the spirit of freedom in Ohio.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
February 8	F	7 pm	\$10 Adult / \$7 Child 12 and under

## Livingston Taylor

Part of the Sojourner Concert Series

SPONSORED IN PART BY MERCY HOSPITAL FAIRFIELD  
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SOJOURNER RECOVERY SERVICES

Livingston Taylor's career as a professional musician has rattled



along for over thirty years. He has toured—some might say, perpetually—with such major artists as Linda Ronstadt, Jimmy Buffett, Fleetwood Mac, and Jethro Tull. He has recorded thirteen albums, with three retrospectives as well. He currently maintains a performing schedule of more than a hundred shows a year,

which include club, theater, college, and full symphony repertoire. Livingston is currently Artist-in-Residence at Harvard University.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
February 16	Sa	8 pm	\$30 Orchestra / \$25 Stadium



## The Foreigner

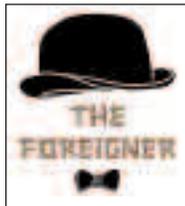
PRESENTED BY FAIRFIELD FOOTLIGHTERS

WRITTEN BY LARRY SHUE

DIRECTED BY JAMES C. DAVIS



Charlie, a pathologically shy young man, is overcome with fear at the thought of making conversation with strangers. His friend tells everyone that Charlie is from an exotic foreign country and speaks no English. That's when the fun really begins, as Charlie overhears more than he should. Soon things go uproariously awry for the "bad guys" and the "good guys" emerge triumphant.



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February 21	Th	8 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
February 22	F	8 pm*	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
February 23	Sa	8 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
February 24	Su	2 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student

\*Kids Night Out available for additional fee.

## Pecos Bill & Sluefoot Sue

Part of the EnterAct Family Series: productions for all ages

A PRODUCTION BY LEXINGTON CHILDREN'S THEATRE

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Share the excitement with the one and only Pecos Bill and his true love, Sluefoot Sue! He was rumored to have performed superhuman feats and was raised by coyotes. He also invented the lasso, tamed and rode cyclones, used a rattlesnake as a whip, roped an entire herd at one go, and used the entire Rio Grande to water his ranch! LCT brings children's literary classics to life on stage.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
March 1	Sa	7pm	\$7 Adult / \$5 Child 12 and under

## Hogeye Navy

Part of the One Stage Series: many cultures... many voices... one stage

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Join us for a St. Patrick's Day celebration featuring regional favorite Hogeye Navy. Hogeye Navy is an acoustic, shanty-singing band whose repertoire



expands to include the traditional music of Ireland, Scotland, England, and North America. The band has performed for more years than its members

care to admit, at everything from wedding receptions to pubs to a pre-show for a boxing match, to a tour in Ireland.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
March 15	Sa	8 pm	\$15 Adult / \$12 Senior or Student



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## John Sebastian

Part of the Sojourner Concert Series

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John Sebastian is an American songwriter best known as a founder of The Lovin' Spoonful and named in the Rock and

Roll Hall of Fame. After four decades, the contributions of John Sebastian have become a permanent part of our American musical fabric. Sebastian is famously known for his number one single with the theme song to the *Welcome Back, Kotter* television show. As a songwriter, Sebastian's songs have been covered by Elvis Costello, Dolly Parton, Del McCoury, Helen Reddy, Brenda Lee, Johnny Cash, Bobby Darin, Slade, Joe Cocker, and Jimmy Buffett. Having just released the new CD *Satisfied*, featuring David Grisman, Sebastian continues to impress his audience with traditional folk/blues songs and instrumentals.

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March 29	Sa	8 pm	\$30 Orchestra / \$25 Stadium



More Theater on next page

## The PsychoAcoustic Orchestra

Part of the Jazz Alive! Series

PRESENTED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH JAZZ ALIVE OF CINCINNATI, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE PROMOTION OF JAZZ.



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The PsychoAcoustic Orchestra is an eclectic musical ensemble — with strong roots in jazz — formed by composer



Patrick Kelly in 1990. The raison d'être of the group

is to blend aspects of jazz, rock, Latin, funk, European "serious" music, and avant-garde "free" music and to communicate musical thoughts on a high artistic and technical level. The PAO has released two CDs, *Supreme Thing* (1994) and *Reactivation* (1996). After a hiatus of a couple of years, the retooled PsychoAcoustic Orchestra is back.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
March 30	Sun	3 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student

## A Thousand Cranes

Part of the EnterAct Family Series: productions for all ages

PERFORMED BY ARTREACH OF THE CHILDREN'S THEATRE OF CINCINNATI

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A touring production for young people and families entitled *A Thousand Cranes*, the true and poignant story of Sadako Sasaki, a young victim of the Hiroshima atomic bomb disaster. At twelve, she is diagnosed with "radiation sickness," an aftermath of the bomb's effects. With boundless optimism, she takes an old story to heart: if a sick person folds a thousand paper origami cranes, her wish will come true and she will be well again.



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Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
April 12	Sa	7 pm	\$7 Adult / \$5 Child 12 and under

## Tom Rush

Part of the Sojourner Concert Series

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Tom Rush is a gifted musician and performer, whose shows offer a musical celebration. His distinctive guitar style, wry humor, and warm, expressive voice have made him both a legend and a lure to audiences around the world. His shows are filled with the rib-aching laughter of terrific story telling, the sweet melancholy of ballads, and the passion of gritty blues. Tom Rush's early

recordings introduced the world to the work of Joni Mitchell, Jackson Browne, and James Taylor.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
April 26	Sa	8 pm	\$30 Orchestra / \$25 Stadium



MERCY HOSPITAL  
Fairfield

## Swingtime Canteen

PRESENTED BY FAIRFIELD FOOTLIGHTERS

BY LINDA THORSEN BOND, WILLIAM REPICCI AND CHARLES BUSCH  
DIRECTED BY HEIDI SCHILLER

This "Star Spangled Musical Hit" enjoyed over 300



Until Every One Comes Home

performances Off Broadway before becoming a staple of musical theatres across the country. The time is 1944 and MGM is putting glamorous movie

legend Marian Ames out to pasture, but this is no time for self-pity. So Marian gathers her instrument-playing pals from the Hollywood Canteen to entertain the troops in London.



**Auditions:** March 11 & 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fairfield Community Arts Center.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
May 15	Th	8 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
May 16	F	8 pm*	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
May 17	Sa	8 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student
May 18	Su	2 pm	\$12 Adult / \$10 Senior or Student

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## Muntu Dance Theatre of Chicago

Part of the One Stage Series: many cultures... many voices... one stage

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The Chicago-based Muntu Dance Theatre performs authentic and progressive interpretations of contemporary and ancient African and African-American



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dance, music, and folklore. Muntu is noted for its interpretation of traditional African dance incorporated with elements of drama, music, poetry, and comedy for a dazzlingly multifaceted show. Muntu's shows go beyond a mere dance performance and approach the vibrant and joyous spirit of a community festival.



Date	Day	Time	Tickets (On sale now)
May 24	Sa	8 pm	\$15 Adult / \$12 Senior or Student

## Fairfield Parks & Recreation Board

### The mission...

of the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Board is to enhance the City's natural environment, enrich the quality of life for the citizens of the community, and provide broad based leisure programs, facilities and services for all ages.



## GALLERY

### Agape Art

**OPENING JANUARY 26 THROUGH MARCH 15**

Agape Art is an international art ministry that unites local artists from the Greater Cincinnati area with creative Filipino teenage girls living in a children's home in Dumaguete City, Philippines. Founded by Becky Covert, Agape Art is approaching its second year. The team, which typically consists of four female artists, is preparing for their second annual trip to Dumaguete in June 2008. The Agape Art team raises funds to support all expenses of this organization through the exhibition and sale of artwork by team members, local artists, and the Agape Girls. All artwork is for sale. A reception for the exhibit will be held Friday, February 29, from 6 to 8 p.m.

### 2008 Miami Regional Campus Faculty Exhibit

**OPENING MARCH 29 THROUGH MAY 10**

Miami University instructors from the Hamilton and Middletown branches showcase a wide range of art. Everything from sculpture to painting to photography will be on display by these local educators. Artists include Andrew Au, Mike Hieber, Ed Montgomery, Jennifer Purdum, Ron Stevens, and Roscoe Wilson. A reception for the exhibit will be held on Friday, March 28 from 6 to 8 p.m.

## PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN

### ARTS AND CRAFTS

**PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

#### Toddler Time

**AGE 2**

Mom or Dad (any caregiver) can enjoy a special time with their child making crafts and playing games, while children also learn important socialization skills with others the same age. *No class on 3/24 and 5/26*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 3 - Apr 14	M	10-11 am	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 21 - June 2	M	10-11 am	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Laurie Brown

#### Creative Kids

**AGES 3-5**

Preschoolers will enjoy arts and crafts, music and physical activities in this Creative Kids class. Children will enjoy lots of coloring, cutting and pasting as they explore their creativity. *No class on 3/24 and 5/26*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 3 - Apr 14	M	1-2:30 pm	\$40/\$45
Spring	Apr 21 - June 2	M	1-2:30 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Laurie Brown

### Open Preschool Art Time

**AGES 3-6**

Children will enjoy stories presented by the Fairfield Lane Public Library and then get their creative juices flowing by using different art materials each week. Parents are required to stay. Space is limited so pre-registration is necessary. *No Class 3/21, 3/28 and 4/21.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 29 - Apr 18	F	10-11 am	\$12
Spring	Apr 25 - May 30	F	10-11 am	\$12

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

### DANCE & FITNESS

**PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

The Fairfield Starz Dance Program runs from January through May. The program ends with a Spring Recital on Saturday, May 3, 2008, which will be held in the Community Art Center Theater. Only students registered in all three sessions will perform in the recital due to the continuation of the class and dances taught. In order to register for Winter B and Spring you must have attended Winter A. All sessions consist of only 5 weeks of class, so attendance is very important.

#### Beginning Ballerinas

Students ages 2½ - 5 who are just entering the world of ballet. We will learn the basics of dance and movement spending time at the ballet barre and progressing out into floorwork. We will bring out the mats and have some tumble time to finish class. This class is designed for the pre-beginner who loves to dance! *No class 3/24*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	10:30-11:15 am	\$35/\$40
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	11:15 am-12 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	10:30-11:15 am	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	11:15 am-12 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

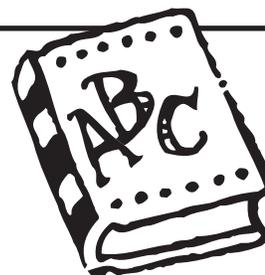
### EDUCATION

**PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS**

#### Now I Know My ABCs

**AGES 3-5**

This class is packed full with entertaining activities for children to not only recognize their ABCs but start to learn to write them too. Each week will be different letters and we will do a craft to help with motor skills too. *No class 3/25*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 4 - Apr 15	T	10-11 am	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 22 - May 27	T	10-11 am	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter

**More Preschool/Kindergarten Programs on next page**

## Tots Cooking and Eating Story Time

AGES 3-5

After reading an exciting story, your child will make the story come to life. Spreading, cutting and measuring are some of the concepts the children will use to make their edible creations. *No class 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 5 - Apr 16	W	10-11 am	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 23 - May 28	W	10-11 am	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

## Music Makes the World Go Around

AGES 3-5

Introduce your child to the world of music. This class will help children discover their hidden musical talents in no time by rhyming, singing songs and creating their own musical instruments.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring	Apr 24- May 29	Th	10-11 am	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

## Discovering the Animal Kingdom

AGES 3-5

This class takes children exploring through the exciting animal kingdom. It involves a lesson about different animals each class, and is full of whimsical and playful activities to enhance children's fine and gross motor skills. *No class 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 6 - Apr 17	Th	10-11 am	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

## Children's Choir

AGES 3-6

Does your preschooler love to sing? We have started our first preschool choir here at the Fairfield Community Arts Center. At the end of this session, there will be performance, but the place is not yet determined. *No class on 3/25*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 4-Apr 15	Tu	11:15 am-12 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter

## Ewwy Goey Science

AGES 3-6

Your little mad scientist will enjoy this six week class of measuring, mixing and creating science projects.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring	Apr 22-May 27	Tu	11:15 am- 12:15 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter

## THEATER

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

### Babes on Broadway

AGES 4 - 6

Introduce your drama queen or king to the joy of acting through story-telling, role-playing, improvisation and other dramatic-play activities. Children learn the building blocks of good theatre — projection, communication, body movement, and characterization. Beginning actors strengthen and develop their self-confidence, problem-solving skills and individual imagination.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 29 - Apr 25	Fri	1:30 - 2:30	\$60/\$65

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom/Theatre

**Instructor:** April Osborne

## POTTERY CLASSES

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

### Fun with Clay

AGES 4-6

This class is designed for children to have fun and express their creativity. The children are taught various hand building techniques and learn to form decorative or functional pieces while having a good time. Fee includes all clay, glazes, and firings. *No class on 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 6-Apr 17	Th	11 am -12 pm	\$45/\$50
Spring	Apr 24- May 29	Th	11 am-12pm	\$45/\$50

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

## WORKSHOPS/SEASONAL CLASSES

PRESCHOOLERS (AGES 3-6)

### Storytime/Edible Art

AGES 4-6

After Storytime, presented by the Fairfield Lane Public Library, children will create edible seasonal art masterpieces.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 8	Friday	1- 2:30 pm	\$13/\$15
March 14	Friday	1- 2:30 pm	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Melinda Cromer

### Winter Fun

AGES 3-6

These one day classes will offer fun seasonal activities for preschoolers. Children will enjoy books, crafts and activities that relate to Winter. Activities will be different each day.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 19	Tuesday	9 am-12 pm	\$15/\$17*
February 20	Wednesday	9 am-12 pm	\$15/\$17*
February 21	Thursday	9 am-12 pm	\$15/\$17*

*Pre-register for 3 classes for \$40/\$45*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns



## Under the Big Top

AGES 3-6

Ladies and Gentleman. Boys and Girls. May we have your attention in the center ring. Now performing in our Children's Room will be preschoolers having fun. The days activities will focus on a circus theme. Lots of crafts, games and fun activities will be enjoyed by all.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 27	Wednesday	10 - 11:30 am	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter



## A Camping We Will Go

AGES 3-6

Kids will enjoy making their own camping type food for lunch, Don't forget the SMORES. Other fun activities include singing, games and crafts.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 28	Thursday	11 am - 12:30 pm	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter

## Dr Seuss B-day

AGES 3-6

Come in and join us on a fun-filled day to celebrate Dr Seuss's birthday! We will be making crafts and reading his books, so why don't you come take some looks?

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
March 7	Friday	1-2:30 pm	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Becky Richards

## Teddy and Me

AGES 3-6

Would you like 1 or 2 lumps of sugar with your tea? If your child loves teddy bears and tea parties the class "Teddy and Me" is perfect for them. Grab your favorite teddy bear, and come join the fun in this new workshop. Lunch will be provided. Any food allergies please let us know.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
April 18	Friday	11:30 am - 2:30 pm	\$17/\$19

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

## How Does Your Garden Grow?

AGES 3-6

Does your child like to help you in the garden? Then, "How Does Your Garden Grow" is the class for them! They will learn techniques of gardening as they plant and grow their own flowers! So come and join us on our growing experience.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
May 9	Friday	1-2:30 pm	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hocter

## Down on the Farm

AGES 3-6

COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO!!! Come join us on a farm-filled day as we make crafts and read stories about life on a farm.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
May 30	Friday	1-2:30 pm	\$13/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Becky Richards

## Kids Night Out

AGES 3 -10

Parents can enjoy a relaxing evening out while their children ages 3 - 10 years old are having fun in our Children's Room. Kids will enjoy dinner, playing games, arts and crafts and a movie. Children must be potty trained.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Feb 8	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
Feb 22	F	6 -10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
March 14	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
April 11	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
April 18	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
May 9	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
May 16	F	6 -10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room



## Parent-to-Parent Series

Gain confidence and a connection with other parents attending this unique four-week program that offers adaptable parenting skills and insightful strategies to confront the challenges parents and their children face everyday. For the past ten years, parents have found this program easy to implement and effective in leading their children safely toward adulthood.

Classes are offered from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on each Tuesday (except during February, April, July, September and December). All are welcome to participate in programs, offered at the Fairfield YMCA, 5220 Bibury Road. There is no cost. To register, contact Tammy Simpson at-615-1917.

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## SMART Club

### 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

The Community Arts Center offers an after school art club which children in grades K-6 can experience the Arts. SMART Club runs Monday through Friday from 3:00 - 6:00 pm taking on a variety of projects that varies from pottery, painting, woodworking, edible art, Youthful Yoga, theater and more. Snack time, field trips, homework and free time are also incorporated. Bus service is available for residents attending Fairfield Kindergarten Center (PM ONLY), Fairfield South Elementary and Parochial Schools. Registration is now being accepted and a deposit of \$70 is required to reserve your child's place. Information packets are available at the Community Arts Center front desk

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
2007-2008 school year	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40

## Art Extravaganza

### AVAILABLE WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT!

Students in grades K-6 can join the SMART club on their days off (ie. Teacher's In-service days and holidays) at the Community Art Center for a full day of themed Art projects and fun! Extended hours are available from 7:30 am - 6 pm for an additional \$5 per day. Students need to bring a sack lunch everyday. Afternoon snack is provided.

Date	School	Time	R/NR Fee	Theme
Feb 18	All Schools	9 am - 4 pm	\$30/\$40	All American

*Pre-register for multiple days and receive a \$5 discount per class.*

## Spring Break Camp

Students in grades K-6 can have fun during their break doing Spring themed arts and crafts, games, movies, walking field trip and much more at the Community Arts Center. Extended hours are available from 7:30 - 6 pm for an additional \$5 per day. Students need to bring a sack lunch everyday. Afternoon snack is provided.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Mar 21	F	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*
Mar 24	M	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*
Mar 25	Tu	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*
Mar 26	W	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*
Mar 27	Th	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*
Mar 28	F	9 - 4 pm	\$35/\$40*

*\*Pre-register for 6-Day Camp Rate: \$150 residents/\$180 non-resident.*

*\*Pre-register for 6-Day Camp Rate with extended hours: \$165 residents/\$195 non-resident*

## City of Fairfield Parks and Recreation Board

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May 9	F	6-10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12
May 16	F	6 -10 pm (or end of show)	\$10/\$12

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

## ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASSES

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Drawing & Cartooning

Learning to draw can be lots of fun. This class is designed to guide students in developing drawing skills while encouraging personal expression and creativity. No class 3/26.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 5 - Apr 16	W	5:30 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 23 - May 28	W	5:30 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55

**Location:** Classroom

**Instructor:** TBD

## Model Builders

### AGE 8-12

Build your very own plastic model airplane and car. Glue, paint, and finish with decals just the way you like it. Fee includes model kits and supplies.

Project	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Sports Car	Feb 13 - 27	W	4:15 - 5:15 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Jumbie Jam Performers

### AGE 8-12

Come join the Fairfield Community Arts Center steel drum performance group. We are looking for kids that are serious about learning to play the steel drums. If your child is interested please contact Lori Haven at 896-8410. Rehearsals begin on February 7, 2008. *No rehearsal on 3/27.*

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Feb 7-Apr 17	Thursday	5:15-6 pm	\$65/\$70

**Location:** Classroom

**Instructor:** Angela Leonhardt



## ARTS AND CRAFTS WORKSHOPS

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### Sewing for Kids Workshop

AGES 10 - 12

Even kids can learn to sew! In these one day workshops kids will learn the basics of sewing and how to use a sewing machine to complete one of a kind projects. Fee includes all materials.

Date	Day	Time	Project	R/NR Fee
March 1	Saturday	10 am - 12 pm	Easter Purse	\$15/\$17
April 25	Friday	6 - 8 pm	Webkinz clothes	\$15/\$17

**Location:** Classroom

**Instructor:** Melinda Timmester

#### Beads, Bead, and More Beads

AGE 6-12

Start with a ball of clay and design your very own one of a kind bracelet and one to give mom or that special woman in your life. If you don't want to make a bracelet you can make key chains instead.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
May 2	Friday	6:30-8 pm	\$10/\$15

**Location:** Classroom

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

#### Edible Art

Does your child enjoy being in the kitchen and eating food? If so, this is the workshop for them! Children will create a masterpiece to give as a gift or share with their family.

Date	Day	Time	Theme	R/NR Fee
March 14	Friday	6 - 8 pm	Easter	\$15/\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room

**Instructor:** Melinda Cromer

#### Make Your Own Valentines

Kid's can make their own cute and creative valentines to pass out to friends, family or entire class.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 1	Friday	6 - 8 pm	\$15/\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Melinda Cromer

#### Educational Tours at the Morgan Mansion

**ATTENTION TEACHERS, SCOUTS LEADERS!**

The Elisha Morgan Mansion is a wonderful learning opportunity for your school group, scout group, ect. Schedule a guided tour of the mansion and learn the history of the restored 1817 mansion. Call the Parks and Recreation Department at 867-5348 to schedule your tour. Allow two weeks notice in order to schedule guides for your event. If you are interested in renting the Mansion, Contact Heidi Schiller at 867-5348 for prices and availabilities.



## DANCE AND FITNESS

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

The Fairfield Starz Dance Program runs from January through May. The program ends with a Spring Recital on Friday, May 3, 2008, which will be held in the Community Art Center Theater. Only students registered in all three sessions will perform in the recital due to the continuation of the class and dances taught. In order to register for Winter B and Spring you must have attended Winter A. All sessions consist of only 5 weeks of class, so attendance is very important.

#### Beginner Dance

This class for 4-6 year olds will work on the basics of Ballet, Traditional Dance, Tap and Jazz. It will involve Ballet warm ups at the barre, learning movements of Ballet, mat time with acrobatic movements followed by Tap. Ballet and Tap shoes are required. *No class 3/24*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	5- 5:45 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	5- 5:45 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

#### Intermediate Dance I

This 45-minute class is for students ages 5 that have successfully completed Beginner Dance and have a basic familiarity with ballet movement. Students will progress on the floor as they begin to learn turns and Ballet combinations. Mat time will include acrobatics followed by tap instruction and timed steps. Ballet and Tap shoes are required. *No class 3/24*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	5:45 - 6:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	5:45 - 6:30 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

#### Intermediate Dance II

This 45-minute class is for students 6 and up who have a basic familiarity with ballet movement. Students will progress on the floor as they begin to learn turns and Ballet combinations. Mat time will include acrobatics followed by tap instruction and timed steps. Ballet and Tap shoes are required. *No class 3/24*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	6:30 - 7:15 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	6:30 - 7:15 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

#### Pre Teen Dance

This 45-minute class is for students ages 8 to 14 to dance to today's music using basic Ballet and Tap moves adding a twist of hip hop fun. This is a great class for old and new dancers. Ballet and Tap shoes are required. *No class 3/24*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	7:15 - 8 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	7:15 - 8 pm	\$35/\$40

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

More Youth Programs on next page

## POTTERY CLASSES

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### Kids 'N Clay

This class is designed for children to have fun and express their creativity. The children are taught various hand building techniques and learn to form decorative or functional pieces while having a good time. Fee includes all clay, glazes, and firings. *No class 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 6 - Apr17	Th	6 - 8 pm	\$80/\$85
Spring	Apr 24 - May 29	Th	6 - 8 pm	\$80/\$85

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie Carpenter

#### Parent/Child Hand Building

##### AGES 6 AND UP

This class is a great opportunity for a parent and child to spend time together creating something fun! You and your child will learn basic hand-building and decorating techniques. Instructors strive for a fun and creative partnership with parents and children. Fee includes all materials and firings.

Session Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring Apr 22 - May 27	T	6 - 8 pm	\$110/\$115 for parent/child*

\* \$50 per additional child

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie Carpenter

## POTTERY WORKSHOPS

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### Ceramic Easter Eggs

##### AGES 8 - 14

Make your very own Easter Eggs made from clay and decorated just the way you want. No experience is necessary, we have staff on hand to assist and answer questions. Fee includes all materials and firings.



Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
March 8	Saturday	10 am - 12 pm	\$15/\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

#### Mother's Day Treasure Box

##### AGES 8 - 14

Do you want to give your mother something special this Mother's Day? Make her a one of a kind Treasure Box out of clay and personalize it with paint just for her. No experience is necessary, we have staff on hand to assist and answer questions. Fee includes all materials and firings.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
April 19 & 26	Saturday	10 am - 12 pm	\$20/\$25

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie Carpenter

## THEATER CLASSES

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### Theatre A-Z/CAC

##### AGES 7 - 10

This class is for elementary school children ages 7 to 10. Students work together through theatre games and dramatic exercises to strengthen and develop acting skills. Winter B classes are dedicated to creating and rehearsing their play. The class ends with a final production in the Community Arts Center Theatre.

There will be no class on March 25 (Fairfield City Schools Spring Break).

Final Performance will be Saturday, May 10, at 6 p.m. Special rehearsals will be scheduled during Tech Week, May 5-7. Students must attend all sessions of Winter B to participate in the final performance.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 4 - Apr 29	T	4:30 - 6 pm	\$60/\$65

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theatre

**Instructor:** April Osborne

#### Beginning Drama

##### AGES 11 - 12

This class is for upper elementary school children ages 11 to 12. Students work together through theatre games and dramatic exercises to strengthen and develop acting skills. The class is age-appropriate and more challenging for the older elementary student. Students learn to hone basic theatre skills, learn how to create characters other than themselves and proper projection techniques. Winter B classes are dedicated to choosing and rehearsing their play. The class ends with a final production in the Community Arts Center Theatre.

There will be no class on March 27 (Fairfield City Schools Spring Break).

Final Performance will be Thursday, May 8, at 7 p.m. Special rehearsals will be scheduled during Tech Week, May 5-7. Students must attend all sessions of Winter B to participate in the final performance.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 6 - May 1	Th	4:30 - 6 pm	\$60/\$65

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theatre

**Instructor:** April Osborne

#### Acting I

##### AGES 13 - 15

This class is for middle school children ages 13 to 15. Students work together through theatre games and dramatic exercises to strengthen and develop acting skills. The class is age-appropriate and challenging for the older student. Classes are dedicated to honing theatre skills, creating character, and learning proper voice projection. Winter B classes are dedicated to auditioning and rehearsing their scripted play. The class ends with a final production in the Community Arts Center Theatre.

There will be no class on March 24 (Fairfield City Schools Spring Break).

Final Performance will be Saturday, May 10, at 7 p.m. Special rehearsals will be scheduled during Tech Week, May 5-7. Students must attend all sessions of Winter B to participate in the final performance.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 3 - Apr 28	Monday	4:30 - 6 pm	\$60/\$65

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theatre

**Instructor:** April Osborne



## YOUTH WORKSHOPS

### Girl Scout Workshops

GIRL SCOUT WORKSHOPS NOW BEING OFFERED AT THE FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER.

Brownie Try-its and Jr. Badges can be earned in one day. See the list below of ones that are being offered as of now, but if there is one you don't see and want to do we can create it for you. For more information, contact Lori Haven at 896-8410.

Brownies	Juniors
Dancerize	Sew Simple
Eat Right, Stay Healthy	Caring for Children
Make it, Eat it	Ceramics and Clay
Stitch It Together	"Making Hobbies"
Let's Pretend	Theater
Computer Smarts	Point, Click, and Go
Science Wonders	
Science in Action	

## HOMESCHOOLER PROGRAMS

### Edible Art

AGES 8 - 15

Children will cook up fun in this 3-week workshop filled with edible valentine's candy, cookie design and cake decorating. This class will cover basic cooking skills like measuring, stirring, blending, chopping, cutting and more. Children will leave with plenty of edible masterpieces after every class.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Feb 13, 20, 27	Wednesday	9:30 - 11 am	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room C

**Instructor:** Melinda Cromer

### Creative Art!

AGES 8 - 15

This 4 week art class will introduce students to different art techniques and terminology while utilizing their artistic abilities and creativity. Class with include the following, mosaics, watercolor, woodworking and more.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Mar 5,12,19	Wednesday	9:30 - 11 am	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Staff

### Weird Science-Chemistry of Toys

AGES 8-15

This 5 week class is perfect for home school students wanting to experiment in the world of Science. Children ages 8-15 will do hands on activities learning about how light sticks glow, the chemistry behind the Magic Bake Oven, silly putty and other toys kids love to play with.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	W	10:45-11:30 am	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Bonnie Fahl

### Pottery

AGES 8-15

Children will have a blast creating seasonal projects out of clay.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
May 7,14,21,28	W	9:30 - 11 am	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Pottery Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie and Kevin Carpenter

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## Youth Sports Contacts

### Fairfield Select Soccer (FOSC)

[www.foscoccer.com](http://www.foscoccer.com)

Curt Jackson . . . . . [Jackson.cl@pg.com](mailto:Jackson.cl@pg.com)

### Fairfield Optimist SAY Soccer

[www.fairfieldsoccer.org](http://www.fairfieldsoccer.org)

Jamie Blanton . . . . . [fosasoccer@gmail.com](mailto:fosasoccer@gmail.com)

### TOP Soccer (for children with special needs)

[www.cincytopsoccer.com](http://www.cincytopsoccer.com)

Bob Schindler . . . . . 588-4980

### Butler County Challenger Baseball

(for children with special needs)

[www.bcchallenger.org](http://www.bcchallenger.org)

### City of Fairfield Summer Swim Team

Kim Braunig ([Braunig1@cinci.rr.com](mailto:Braunig1@cinci.rr.com)) . . . 376-0358

### Fairfield Youth Athletic Association (FYAA)

[www.fairfield-city.org/guides](http://www.fairfield-city.org/guides)

Steve Sams (Football) . . . . . 887-8450

Steve Spencer (Cheerleading) . . . . . 874-3312

[www.fyaacheerleading.org](http://www.fyaacheerleading.org)

### Fairfield Youth Baseball Association (FYBA)

[www.fairfield-city.org/guides](http://www.fairfield-city.org/guides)

Rain Out Hotline . . . . . 829-7292

Brett Lewis . . . . . [lewis.bm.2@pg.com](mailto:lewis.bm.2@pg.com)

### Civitan Girls Softball

Nancy White . . . . . 829-5163

### Butler County Youth Hockey Association

[www.usahockey.com/bcyha](http://www.usahockey.com/bcyha)

### Cincinnati Amateur Hockey Association

[www.cincinnatihockey.org](http://www.cincinnatihockey.org)

### Lindenwald/Fairfield/Hamilton Youth Basketball

Glen Hensley . . . . . 829-4767

### Fairfield YMCA Basketball

[www.gmvymca.org](http://www.gmvymca.org)

Fairfield YMCA . . . . . 829-3091

### Fairfield Lacrosse Club

(Boys and girls grades 1-12)

[www.fairfieldlax.com](http://www.fairfieldlax.com)

Andrea Johnson . . . . . 829-4002

# Have your birthday party at the Community Arts Center

Make your child's birthday special with a party package at the Fairfield Community Center. Plan an Ice Cream Sundae Party or Pizza Party, then add on a workshop to take your celebration to new heights. Reserve your party by calling the Community Arts Center at 867-5348.

1½ Hour Rentals are \$75 (\$25 for each additional hour)  
*(Please note that all prices are subject to change)*

## Party Packages

### Ice Cream Sundae Party

This option includes a cupcake cake, vanilla ice cream (*with whipped cream and cherries!*), your choice of one syrup, and four toppings, and a drink. The event includes party supplies (*cups, utensils, plates, napkins, etc.*), a party attendant, 1½ hour facility rental, and a special gift for the guest of honor. Best of all, we clean up after the party.

Syrup (Pick 1)	Toppings (Pick 4)	Drinks
Chocolate	Chocolate Chips	Fruit Punch
Strawberry	Butterscotch Chips	
Caramel	Peanut Butter Cup	
	Sprinkles	
	Heath Chips	
	M&Ms	
	Nuts	
	Oreos	

Number of Guests	Up to 8	9-16	17-24	25-32
	\$90	\$125	\$140	\$155

*Each additional guest is \$4*

### Pizza Party

We'll toss in a fresh, piping hot pizza with one topping from Fairfield Pizza, then serve up a cupcake cake, vanilla ice cream and drinks (*fruit punch*). The cost includes party supplies (*cups, utensils, plates, napkins, etc.*), a party attendant, 1½ hour facility rental, and a special gift for the guest of honor. Best of all, we clean up after the party.

Number of Guests	Up to 8 (2 Pizzas)	9-16 (3 Pizzas)	17-24 (4 Pizzas)	25-32 (5 Pizzas)
	\$125	\$145	\$175	\$225

*Each additional guest is \$4*



## Customized Add-ons

In addition to the standard packages, you can customize your party to include a special theme, add games & prizes, and/or pick a craft activity.

**Choose Your Own Decorations:** For an additional \$35 you can pick your own theme for your party decorations, plates, napkins, and cake for 8 guests. An additional \$10 for each additional 8 guests.

**Games with Prizes:** For an additional \$35, your party can enjoy two age appropriate games with prizes, lead by our party attendant.

**Party Favor Bags:** For an additional \$3.50 per bag, we will create goodie bags for your entire party. Bags include candy and other small prizes with a general birthday theme.

**Craft:** For an additional \$2 per person, your guest can get creative with one age appropriate craft. This activity, lead by our attendant, makes for great party favors that your guests can take home.

## Workshop Add-ons

All workshops require a minimum of 8 guests (age 6 and up) and require a non-refundable \$30 set up fee due at time of booking. A list of projects for all workshops are available upon requests.

**Pottery:** For an additional \$6 per person, your party will receive 1 hour in our Art Studio (with instructor) painting a ceramic tile or hand building their own seasonal project out of clay. Projects will be ready for pick up approximately 2 weeks after party.

**Edible Art:** For an additional \$6 per person, your party will receive 45 minutes of instructor lead fun creating edible masterpieces.

**Woodworking:** For an additional \$7 per person, your party will receive 45 minutes of instructor lead fun utilizing tools to complete a wooden project for the kids to take home.

**Jewelry Making:** For an additional \$6 per person, guests can enjoy 1 hour of instructor lead fun making cool beads out of clay and then designing your own necklace or bracelet.

**Noah's Ark Animal Workshop:** For an additional \$15 per person, guests can enjoy 1 hour of fun with Karla Arnold, professional workshop leader, bring a cuddly stuffed animal to life by hand stuffing it, filling it with a rainbow wish star and naming it with a birth certificate. Clothes and other items can be ordered for an additional cost.

**Bella Bee Workshop:** "The Ultimate Traveling Glamour Girls Workshop"- For an additional \$15 per person, girls of all ages can enjoy this positive, character building, glamour girl makeover lead by professional workshop leader, Karla Arnold. During the workshop, girls will create trendy shimmer and shine looks on the outside while learning the importance of beauty that comes from within. Each guest will receive a Glitter Glam basic package including 4 standard Glitter Glam products (eye gel, body glitz, lip gloss, and nail polish) a fashion accessory, Bella Bee Glam Bag and Pledge Card. The Birthday Queen will receive a photo keepsake book.

## Themed Packages

Take the party over the top with a themed party that includes themed invitations, decorations, plates, napkins, cake and party favors for children 12 and under. (Package prices are for up to 16 guests, unless otherwise noted. Additional guests are \$4 per person.)

**Showtime Party (all ages):** For an additional \$100, you can use our state-of-the-art theater to watch a movie of your choice and each guest will receive a bag of fresh popcorn, bottled water and a themed party favor. (Up to 32 guests.)

**Hocus Pocus Party (all ages):** For an additional \$200, your guests will experience magic like never before. Charlie Cadabra, the Magician will complete a 40 minute interactive, hands on magic show that is out of this world. Each guest will receive a goody bag that includes a magic hat and wand. This party includes 1 additional hour in the Children's Room.

**Carnival Party (all ages):** For an additional \$200, your guests will be entertained by jumping in the 13x13 Moon Bounce, 2 carnival games (with prizes) and creating their own spin art as a party favor. This party includes 1 additional hour in the Children's Room.

**Crop Till Ya Drop Party (ages 6 and up):** For an additional \$100, your guests will get their creative juices flowing with this 1 hour instructor lead scrapbooking workshop. Each guest needs to bring in at least 10 of their favorite photos ranging from baby pictures to current so that they can take home their own mini scrapbook as a party favor. This party includes 1 additional hour in the Children's Room.

**Cooking Up Fun Party (ages 4 and up):** For an additional \$150, children will get a chance to get messy while having fun cooking their own pizza and decorating their own birthday cupcake. Each guest receives an apron and chef hat as a party favor. This party includes ½ additional hour in the Children's Room.

**Fireman Fiesta (all ages):** For an additional \$100, Your party comes complete with one firefighter themed game with prizes, a picture frame craft, and a fire truck piñata. Every child will take home a goody bag that includes a fire hat and badge! To make this event special we can make arrangements for Fairfield Fire Department staff (if available) to bring a fire pumper to the CAC for a show-and-tell for the kids.

**Princess Party (ages 3 and up):** For an additional \$75 your child's dreams can come true. Your party will come complete with 2 games with prizes that any princess would love to play. Each guest will also to decorate their own princess wand and tiara. We won't forget the bling bling, which will be included in a goody bag for each guest.

**Calling all Superheroes (ages 3 and up):** For an additional \$75 your child can become a Superhero. Guests of your party will create their own superhero's mask. This super fun birthday party package also includes 2 Superhero games (with prizes) and goody bags full of superhero accessories.

**Jumbie Jam (ages 5 and up):** For an additional \$200, you and your guests can get bitten by the Pan Jumbie! This unique party experience provides fun and excitement for all! Your child and his/her friends will be transported to the Caribbean Islands while learning how to play actual steel drums! Party package includes games, hands-on experience playing pan with authentic Caribbean music, each guest will go home with a goody bag full of island treasures. (Up to 10 guests)

# SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

## Summer Fun Camp

The Parks and Recreation Department offers an exciting summer of Day Camp for children 6 to 11 years old. Summer Fun Camp is Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with extended camp hours available. Our excellent staff includes certified school teachers and college students.

A staff-to-child ratio of approximately 1 to 10 will be maintained. Planned activities will consist of challenging and fun crafts, cooperative games and contests, swimming at the Fairfield Aquatic Center, hiking and nature activities. Field trips are an integral part of the camp program, with trips such as the Cincinnati Zoo, museums, roller skating and Reds games. Camps are held, rain or shine, with rain-day activities planned.

Campers are dropped off at the Parks and Recreation Community Arts Center located at 411 Wessel Drive and picked up at the Fairfield Aquatic Center on Augusta Blvd. Each child will receive a Summer Day Camp shirt. Children should bring a sack lunch and drink. A light snack will be supplied in the afternoon for Twilight campers.

Early Bird and Twilight Camp are offered before and after Summer Day Camp. Early Bird Campers can be dropped off between 7 and 9 a.m. and Twilight Camp provides care from 4 to 6 p.m.

	<b>Regular Camp</b> 9 am - 4 pm	<b>Extended Camp</b> 7 - 9 am and/or 4 - 6 pm	<b>Part Time</b> 1-2 days/wk
Resident	\$95	\$120	\$35/day
Non Resident	\$105	\$135	\$40/day

Weekly Sessions offered June 9 - August 15  
No camp on July 4

**Part Time Extended Fees:** \$6 per day/per child

**CAMP PROGRAMS OFTEN FILL QUICKLY!**  
Registration begins May 14 for residents.  
We do not reserve spots and you are only registered for the weeks that are paid for. You may pay for up to 10 weeks at a time and receive an additional savings.

## Youth Summer Camps at the CAC

### EXPERIENCE THE FUN AT THE FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

We will be offering a variety of unique art experiences to keep your child entertained all summer long. Our Experience the Arts Camp schedule provides parents and children with the flexibility of choosing half day or a full day of fun at the Community Arts Center. Enroll in both morning and afternoon camps, bring a sack lunch and children can take advantage of our supervised lunches from 12-1 every day. Extended Fun hours are also available for all camps located at the Community Arts Center with drop off as early as 7:00 a.m. and/or pick up by 6:00 p.m. for an additional fee. The complete list of Camp date and time will be available in April.

The following is a list of just a few camps that will be offered:

- Just Drawing
- Jr. Boot Camp
- Kids 'N' Clay
- Jumbie Jam: Steele Drum Camp
- Working with Wood Camp
- CSI: Discovering Forensics Camp
- Sample the Arts Camp
- Fun with Food Camp
- Working with Wood Camp
- Creative Drama and Break a Leg Camps

## Summer Adventure Camp

The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department will again have "Adventure Camp" for kids between the ages of 12 and 15. The camp will be offered 4 Days a week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The program will offer exciting trips and Park/Community projects. The types of trips that we

will take will be Cincinnati Reds game, Sun Lite Pool, Omnimax, Bowling, canoeing, and many other adventures will be part of the fun. Campers are dropped off at the Grange Hall located on Joe Nuxhall Way and campers will be picked up at the Fairfield Aquatic Center on Augusta Blvd. \*All Sessions are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with extended camp available in the morning from 7:00-9:00 a.m. and 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the afternoon

	<b>Regular Camp</b> 9 am - 5 pm	<b>Extended Camp</b> 7:30 - 9 am and/or 5 - 6 pm	<b>Part Time</b> 1-2 days/wk
Resident	\$75	\$100	\$35/day
Non Resident	\$85	\$115	\$40/day

Weekly Sessions offered June 9 - August 14

**Part Time Extended Fees:** \$6 per day/per child

# FAIRFIELD AQUATIC CENTER

Located at 2605 Augusta Blvd., the Fairfield Aquatic Center offers a variety of features: diving boards, wading pool, large slide, sand volleyball court, sand play area, and a water play structure. We invite you to participate in our specialized swimming programs this summer. Qualified lifeguards and instructors are on duty at all times.

**Season Opens..... June 7**  
**Season Closes..... September 1**

**OPEN DAILY NOON TO 8 PM**

The pool will be closed the week of August 25 - 29  
No flotation devices are permitted other than U.S. Coast Guard-approved devices. Small toys are permitted in the wading pool only.

## Fairfield Aquatic Center Pre-season Sale

Pre-season Pool passes for the 2008 pool season are on sale at the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department office at 411 Wessel Drive. The pool passes will be discounted through 8 p.m. on April 15.

### PRICE FOR PASSES PURCHASED BEFORE APRIL 15

Pool Passes	Family	Senior/Youth/Teen	Adult/Individual
Resident	\$225	\$85	\$110
Non-Resident	\$350	\$135	\$170

### PRICE FOR PASSES PURCHASED AFTER APRIL 15

Pool Passes	Family	Senior/Youth/Teen	Adult/Individual
Resident	\$275	\$100	\$130
Non-Resident	\$440	\$165	\$210

Five-person maximum on a family pass, each additional family member is \$20. Family pass restricted to immediate family members.

## Youth Swim Team

Area youth, ages 18 and younger, are invited to participate on our summer swim team at the Fairfield Aquatic Center. All swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool without flotation aides. The team competes in the Tri-County Swim League with public and private pools. Practice begins 1st week in June and concludes with championships in late July. Those interested can attend an informational meeting on May 14 at 7 p.m. at the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive. The cost to participate on the swim team is \$75 (\$80 non-residents).



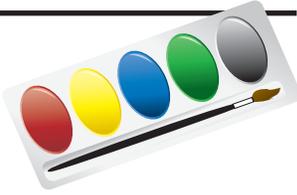
# TEENS & ADULTS

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### Beginning Watercolor

Awaken your creativity with this traditional watercolor class. Learn to paint washes, glazes, color mixtures, dry and wet techniques and different brush strokes. Study the elements of pigment, light, and composition in painting. *No class 3/24.*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 3 - Apr 14	M	5:30 - 7 pm	\$60/\$65

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio  
**Instructor:** Carrie Pate

### Drawing Workshop

BEGINNER, INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED

This eight week class focuses on beginning drawing skills, using pencils, charcoal and other drawing media. It will also introduce participants to the fundamentals of drawing: line, shading and perspective. Instruction is also available to Junior High and High School art students, or individuals seeking help in building their portfolios for college. Students will work at their own pace, with individual attention from the instructor. Bring projects in progress. Supply list provided.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring	Mar 31 - May 19	M	10 am - 12 pm	\$110/\$115

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom  
**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

## ARTS & CRAFTS WORKSHOPS

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### Scrapbooking (TEENS TO ADULTS)

EVERY SECOND FRIDAY

Need a place to scrapbook? Well come join us. Bring your own supplies but we will provide lots of sizzix die-cuts and some punches and scissors etc. There will also be a staff attendant there to help with new ideas or to help with a beginner. A drink and a small snack will be provided. We also offer babysitting for those kids that are potty trained, see Kids Night Out information for details.



Date	Day	Time	Fee
February 8	Friday	6-10 pm	\$5
March 14	Friday	6-10 pm	\$5
April 11	Friday	6-10 pm	\$5
May 9	Friday	6-10 pm	\$5

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom  
**Instructor:** Melinda Cromer

## DANCE AND FITNESS

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### Spinning

SPINNING is a stationary bicycle program primarily aimed at achieving maximum energy output. Riders are led through a different ride each class by a coach. By using a variety of music and visualization techniques, riders can develop a strong mind-body connection that will build with each ride. Each class consists of a warm up period, a moderate to high intensity, low impact cardiovascular work out, and a cool down. Make sure to wear comfortable workout attire and bring a small water bottle, and towel (gel seat pads are highly recommended). Individuals of all fitness levels are welcome. *No class 3/22 - 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Apr 9	M/W	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	12 - 12:45 pm	\$50/\$55
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Winter B	Feb 23 - Apr 12	Sa	9 - 10 am	\$30/\$35*
Spring	Apr 14 - May 21	M/W	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	12 - 12:45 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 19 - May 24	Sa	9 - 10 am	\$30/\$35*

\*Add Saturday Spinning as your third class per week for an additional \$15.

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio  
**Instructors:** Cathy Chenoweth (M/W & Sa), Amy Walanski (T/Th at 8:15 pm), Amy Seilkop (T/Th at 12 pm)

### Body Sculpting

Body Sculpting a great way to achieve the firm, sculpted body that will help you look and feel better. Sculpting your arms, glutes, legs, and attention to your core muscles (back and abdominal), is provided in this twice per week class. Lightweights, resistance bands, and stability balls are used to achieve a creative combination of muscle toning and stretching. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. Bring your exercise mat and dress in comfortable workout attire. *No class 3/22 - 3/26.*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Apr 9	M/W	2 - 2:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Winter B	Feb 25 - Apr 9	M/W	7:15 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47
Winter B	Feb 25 - Apr 9	M/W	8:15 - 9 pm	\$42/\$47
Winter B	Feb 23 - Apr 12	Sa	9:15 - 10 am	\$25/\$30*
Spring	Apr 14 - May 21	M/W	2 - 2:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 14 - May 21	M/W	7:15 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 14 - May 21	M/W	8:15 - 9 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 19 - May 24	Sa	9:15 - 10 am	\$25/\$30*

\*Add Saturday Body Sculpting as your third class per week for an additional \$15.

**Locations:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio (2 pm), Basement Studio (7:15 pm, 8:15 pm & Sa)  
**Instructors:** JoBeth Yambrich (2 pm), Bob Combes (7:15 pm, 8:15 pm & Sa)

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## Pilates Plus

Pilates is a complete mat based series of exercises primarily aimed at developing and helping to strengthen the core muscles of the body. This class is for individuals who wish to increase flexibility and develop their core (back and abdominal) muscles. Each class is comprised of a warm-up, Pilates based mat and stability ball exercises, and a cool-down stretch at the end. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. Bring your exercise mat and wear comfortable, workout attire. *No class 3/25 & 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	1:30 - 2:15 pm	\$42/\$47
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	5 - 5:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	1:30 - 2:15 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	5 - 5:45 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance /Fitness Studio  
**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Beginner Pilates Plus

Learn the basic movements and postures of Pilates in this class. Core mat and ball movements will be introduced to prepare for the Pilates Plus program. This class is geared for those who have not previously participated in Pilates and wish to learn more about this unique exercise program. Bring your exercise mat and wear comfortable, workout attire. *No class 3/21, 3/25 & 3/28.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 22 - Apr 11	T/F	5 - 5:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 23	T/F	5 - 5:45 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Basement Studio  
**Instructor:** Holly Gerth

## Strength and Sculpt

Strength and Sculpt is a strength training workout that combines conditioning and strength training for an all in one workout. Strong toned muscles increase metabolism and your body's flexibility. This class will help you tone your body and have no impact on your joints. Enjoy a twice a week workout and get great results for those who want to reduce body fat, improve strength and stamina, and reduce stress levels. All you need is workout mat and a water bottle. We supply the rest. All fitness levels are welcome. *No class 3/25 & 3/27.*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	6 - 6:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	6 - 6:45 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Basement Studio  
**Instructor:** Ron Hatten

## Total Body Workout

A combination of strength and endurance exercises performed in a sequence to ensure optimal results. This extremely efficient technique can be specifically tailored for your needs with a variety of strength activities, cardio respiratory activities, and a combination of the two. Once you get moving you will not want to stop. *No class 3/25 & 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	7 - 7:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 22	T/Th	7 - 7:45 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Basement Studio  
**Instructor:** Ron Hatten

## Nia

Nia is a movement technique, a mix of dance, martial arts and healing arts. Combinations of 52 basic movements provide a cardio and strength workout. Each class is specifically designed to stretch all joints and muscles and is set to different types of world music. Students are encouraged to do the movements "your way." All ages and levels of athletic ability and flexibility are welcome. Nia is about the joy of movement and about having fun while bringing the mind, body, spirit and emotions together. *No class 3/25 & 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 8	T	8:30 - 9:30 am	\$42/\$47
Winter B	Feb 27 - Apr 9	W	6 - 7 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 20	T	8:30 - 9:30 am	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 16 - May 21	W	6 - 7 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio  
**Instructor:** Joan Scanlon

## Youth Salsa Instructional Class



FOR TEENS AGES 13 AND UP

Especially geared for teens to learn the basics of Salsa dancing and get a great workout at the same time! This fun and exciting class will cover the essentials of Salsa such as staying on beat and dancing to music. Neither a partner nor experience is required for this class. Ask about a discount for taking more than one Salsa class with Herman. *No class 3/25.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 8	T	4 - 5 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 15 - May 20	T	4 - 5 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio  
**Instructor:** Herman Recalde (Bilingual Instructor)

## Salsa Instructional Class

Learn the basics of Salsa dancing and get a great workout at the same time! Salsa is the newest and hottest dancing sensation to hit the dance floor since Swing. This fun and exciting class will cover the essentials of Salsa such as staying on beat and dancing to music. Starting with the basics will make your dancing experience much more enjoyable and create a smooth transition into working with a partner. Neither a partner nor experience is required for this class. Ask about a discount for taking more than one Salsa class with Herman. *No class 3/25.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 8	T	6 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 15 - May 20	T	6 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio  
**Instructor:** Herman Recalde (Bilingual Instructor)

## Salsa Workout Class

Continue learning all of the hot Salsa moves in this class specially designed for those that have mastered the basics in Beginner Salsa or have adequate dance experience. Build on the fundamentals learned in the beginner class and take your moves to an entirely new level, on your way to working with a partner. Partners are not required for this class. Ask about a discount for taking more than one Salsa class with Herman. *No class 3/25 & 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 8	T	7 - 8 pm	\$50/\$55
Winter B	Feb 28 - Apr 10	Th	7 - 8 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 15 - May 20	T	7 - 8 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring	Apr 17 - May 22	Th	7 - 8 pm	\$50/\$55

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio  
**Instructor:** Herman Recalde (Bilingual Instructor)



## Beginner Belly Dance



This beginner's class will be taught in the style of American Tribal Bellydance. This style has its roots in the gypsy dances of the Middle East, but carries the modern touch of American artistic sensibilities. It provides a low-impact work-out with an emphasis on strengthening core muscles. It also helps improve memory by learning short choreographies. The artistry of the dance is uplifting and is the ideal way for women of any age, shape, or size to improve her physical and mental well being, and its great fun. Try something new and exciting. Wear comfortable workout attire. *No class 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 27 - Apr 9	W	5 - 6 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 16 - May 21	W	5 - 6 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Brandy Mayfield

## Yoga

Find the connection between your mind, body, and spirit. Join us for a gentle Hatha Yoga class that will improve your breathing process, increase self awareness, and provide a challenge to your body without intimidation. Each class is carefully structured to give a well balanced workout for the muscles, joints, and incorporates mind/body dialogue through Yoga asana and meditation. Once students become familiar with the Hatha Yoga practice, the emphasis will shift to perfecting poses, developing strength, flexibility, balance, coordination, and grace. Wear comfortable workout attire and bring your fitness mat. Some classes may be held outside in the park. Individuals of any fitness level are encouraged to attend. Class size will be limited for personal one on one instruction. *No class 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 27 - Apr 9	W	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 16 - May 21	W	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Elisha Morgan Mansion

**Instructor:** BevySue Hammons

## Yogalates

Yogalates is a system of physical and mental exercises that join the body and mind together. Along with the benefits of Pilates mat-based exercises, which are aimed at core conditioning, attention is applied to flexibility, lengthening and strengthening the muscles of the body. These two systems join together to provide a combination of postures, breathing and relaxation techniques that enhance your physical well-being. Be sure to bring your exercise mat and wear comfortable workout attire. Class size will be limited to provide quality one on one instruction to individuals of all fitness levels. *No class 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 28 - Apr 10	Th	6 - 7 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring	Apr 17 - May 22	Th	6 - 7 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Core Basics



Get stronger and leaner! A strong core is essential to help your body maintain proper posture and alleviate weak back muscles. Learn the basics of working your core muscles with easy stability ball exercises that strengthen and help tone your core muscles by using light hand held weights, and explore the strengthening benefits of using the exer-tube. All levels of fitness are encouraged to attend. Bring a fitness mat, a water bottle and wear comfortable workout gear. *No class 3/22 & 4/5.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 23 - Apr 12	Sa	10:15 - 11 am	\$25/\$30
Spring	Apr 19 - May 24	Sa	10:15 - 11 am	\$25/\$30

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Holly Gerth

## Cardio-Kickboxing

Join us for a high energy, low impact, fantastic, physical workout. Cardio-kickboxing uses low-impact aerobic kickboxing moves that will help you increase your cardiovascular endurance. Plus, you get the added benefit of improving body strength, muscle tone, reduce body fat, and stress levels! Get fit without getting hit. This cardio-kickboxing class does not require any additional equipment. Bring your workout mat, a water bottle, and wear comfortable workout attire. Get ready for high-energy fun and fitness in this class. All fitness levels are welcomed to attend. *No class 3/22 & 4/5.*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Feb 23 - Apr 12	Sa	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$30
Spring	Apr 19 - May 24	Sa	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$25/\$30

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** TBA

## SOCIAL DANCE

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### Swing Dancing

Come see why this dance has been popular forever; learn the basic turns, pivots, spins and more. You and your partner will never want to leave the dance floor. Partners are highly recommended, smooth soled shoes are a must.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter	Feb 22 - Mar 14	F	6 - 7:15 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

### Ballroom Continuation Dancing

Learn more steps in the Fox Trot, Waltz, and Tango. Included is an introduction to Cha Cha, a fun and practical dance that will enhance what you have learned and will expand your abilities. Partners are highly recommended, smooth soled shoes are a must. Participants must have taken two or more beginner level classes from Carolyn before taking this class. *No class 5/23.*



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter	Feb 22 - Mar 14	F	7:15 - 8:30 pm	\$40/\$45
Spring A	Mar 28 - Apr 25	F	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$40/\$45
Spring B	May 2 - 30	F	7:15 - 8:30 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

### Dancing for Weddings

Designed especially for the bride and groom, their family and friends who want to learn what dancing with a partner is all about. This class will include steps such as the Waltz, Tango, Fox Trot, and Slow Partner Dance. Techniques for leading and following will also be covered. Bride and grooms can even schedule time with Carolyn to discuss ideas for their first dance. Partners are highly recommended, smooth soled shoes are a must.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter	Feb 22 - Mar 14	F	8:30 - 9:45 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

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## Beginner Ballroom Dancing

Learn the Fox Trot, Waltz, and Tango. Start with the basic steps and move into leading and following and the art of dancing with a partner. Partners are recommended, smooth soled shoes a must.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Mar 28 - Apr 25	F	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

## Hot Latin Dancing

Learn the Salsa and Merengue, two of the hottest dances ever.....you and your partner will see how easy it is to dance together, leading and following (the secret of dancing with a partner is included). Partners are highly recommended and smooth soled shoes are a must.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Mar 28 - Apr 25	F	8:30 - 9:30 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

## Line Dancing

**AGES 18 AND UP**

For those who want to learn to line dance and have never had a chance to... this class is for YOU! Learn exciting soul line dancing in addition to country line dancing. Smooth-soled shoes are a must or put on your cowboy boots (if you have a pair) and come on down!!!! You'll have fun, get some exercise, and meet some great people! *No class 5/23.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	May 2 - 30	F	6 - 7:15 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

## West Coast Swing

Once you learn this dance you will never be quite the same. This unique dance enables you to really lead and communicate with your partner, but nothing like traditional swing. A true partner dance where leading and following is the key.

Partners are highly recommended, smooth soled shoes a must. *No class on 5/23.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	May 2 - 30	F	8:30 - 9:45 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

## POTTERY CLASSES

TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMS

### Pottery

Classes are designed for beginners and intermediate students. The main focus will be to develop your wheel throwing, hand-building, glazing, and decorating skills. Instructor will work with each student at their individual level, while maintaining a fun and creative atmosphere. *No class 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Winter B	Mar 5 - Apr 16	W	1 - 3 pm	\$95/\$100
Winter B	Mar 5 - Apr 16	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$100
Spring	Apr 23 - May 28	W	1 - 3 pm	\$95/\$100
Spring	Apr 23 - May 28	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$100

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie Carpenter

### Parent/Child Hand Building

**AGES 6 AND UP**

This class is a great opportunity for a parent and child to spend time together creating something fun! You and your child will learn basic hand-building and decorating techniques. Instructors strive for a fun and creative partnership with parents and children. Fee includes all materials and firings.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring	Apr 22 - May 27	T	6 - 8 pm	\$110/\$115 for parent/child*

\*\$50 per additional child)

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Maggie Carpenter

## PLAN YOUR EVENT OR BUSINESS FUNCTION AT THE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

The Community Arts Center provides an ideal setting for a variety of events, big and small. The Community Room, with its terrace overlooking Village Green Park, is the perfect site for a wedding or party and can be divided into smaller rooms for business meetings and intimate gatherings. Discounts are available for Fairfield residents and non-profit organizations. The Center also rents the theater, with state of the art audio and visual capabilities, classroom, and ground floor lobby. For more information call 867-5348.





# 55 PLUS

**YOUR CONNECTION TO PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES  
FOR ADULTS 55 YEARS AND BETTER!**

## Senior Lounge

The Senior Lounge is open to adults 55 years and better. Hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Parking spaces are located outside the Senior Lounge in the west parking lot allowing easier accessibility to the lounge.

## 55 Plus Newsletter

*55 Plus News* is a bi-monthly newsletter for adults 55 years and better. The publication details upcoming events and programs offered through the Parks & Recreation Department at the Community Arts Center. If you wish to be added to the 55 Plus mailing list, please call the Parks office at 867-5348.

## For More Information

Contact Brad Williams, Senior Adult Programmer  
Phone: 896-8407  
Email: [seniors@fairfield-city.org](mailto:seniors@fairfield-city.org)  
Web: [www.fairfield-city.org/Seniors](http://www.fairfield-city.org/Seniors)

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## Cookouts & Carry-Ins

Tired of waiting for something to do? Well, wait no more! The Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department puts on a great monthly carry-in dinner at the Community Arts Center. There will be plenty of food and entertainment to pass the time by. Bring your friends and neighbors or come by yourself and take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Please check the *55 Plus News* for themes and times of upcoming cookouts.

## Ice Cream Social

Don't miss this delicious opportunity to meet with friends and neighbors while enjoying a bowl of ice cream topped with a variety of your favorite toppings.

Date	Time
1st Tuesday/Month	12 pm

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

## Donut Days

Enjoy a warm cup of coffee and a donut in the Senior Lounge. Come to socialize with friends, surf the internet, watch Sports Center on the television, or read up on current events in the morning newspaper. A tasteful way to start your day!

Date	Time
2nd Wednesday/Month	8:30 am
4th Thursday/Month	8:30 am

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

## Out to Lunch & Breakfast Bunch

Great food and great times is what it's all about. Bring your friends and meet new people as we tour area restaurants.

Date	Time
Breakfast: 2nd Friday/Month	8:30 am
Lunch: 4th Friday/Month	11 am

**Location:** Check the *55 Plus Newsletter* for dates and locations.

# CARDS & GAMES

Cards/Game	Day	Time	Location
500	Tu	1 pm	Senior Lounge
BINGO	Th	3 pm	Community Room
Euchre	Th	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Hand & Foot	T/F	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Hearts	W	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Mah Jongg	M	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Pitch	M	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Sequence	T	1 pm	Senior Lounge
Texas Hold 'Em	W	1 pm	Senior Lounge

## Bridge Tournament

Come join in the Fun and play Rubber Bridge. There will be 5 rounds of 4 hands. Cost to enter is just 50¢ with winners splitting the pot. Volunteers coordinate this weekly event.

Day	Time	Location
F	12:45 pm	Senior Lounge

## Left, Right, Center

This is a very fun game that is played after BINGO. Bring a pocket full of dimes and try your luck at tossing the dice.

Day	Time	Location
Th	After Bingo	Senior Lounge

## Shuffleboard/Bocce/Corn Hole

Florida is not the only place where you can play outdoor games year round. Join us in the basement of the Community Arts Center 3 days a week for friendly competition.

Day	Time	Location
T/Th/F	1 pm	Basement

## Game Night

Game Night brings people together in a fun and friendly atmosphere. Every month we will get together for an evening of games, food, and prizes. This is a great way to learn a new game and to meet new people. Cost is \$3. Check the *55 Plus Newsletter* for more information.

Day	Time	Location
3rd Tuesday/Month	5 pm	Senior Lounge

# DANCE/FITNESS

## Stretch, Flex and Move

Geared toward the active adult, this class uses low impact movement, basic stretching techniques, and light resistance training to help strengthen the body, improve flexibility, and increase energy levels. This class uses light hand held weights and resistance bands to improve muscle tone and maintain muscle mass. *No class 3/24 & 3/26.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Apr 9	M/W	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$42
Spring	Apr 14 - May 21	M/W	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$42

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Bonnie Fahl

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## Staying Fit

This class, set to music, uses light hand held weights, resistance bands, and one's own body weight for a gentle toning and energizing class held twice a week. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. *No class 3/25 & 3/27.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Winter B	Feb 26 - Apr 10	T/Th	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$42
Spring	Apr 15 - May 21	T/Th	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$42

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Soft Shoe/Tap Dance

Dance your way to a healthier you. This class uses low impact movements and exercises to develop your music timing and tap dance routines. Soft shoes or tap shoes may be worn in this class. *No class 3/24.*

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Winter B	Feb 25 - Mar 31	M	1 - 1:45 pm	\$35
Spring	Apr 7 - May 5	M	1 - 1:45 pm	\$35

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

## COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

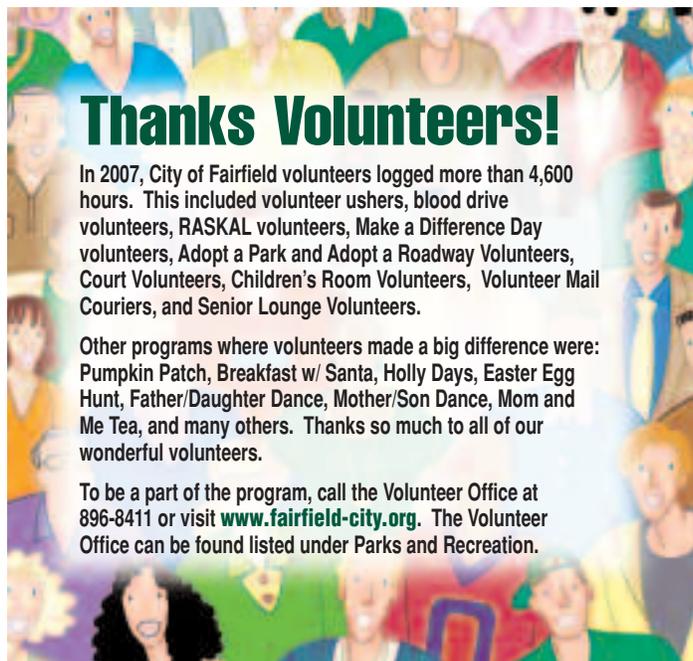
### Computer Basics

This class is for beginners who would like to learn more about computers and the Windows operating system. Gain the knowledge with hands on experience as you learn to turn the computer on and off, use the mouse and keyboard, and familiarize yourself with the desktop.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	8:45 - 9:45 am	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	8:45 - 9:45 am	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	8:45 - 9:45 am	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams



## Thanks Volunteers!

In 2007, City of Fairfield volunteers logged more than 4,600 hours. This included volunteer ushers, blood drive volunteers, RASKAL volunteers, Make a Difference Day volunteers, Adopt a Park and Adopt a Roadway Volunteers, Court Volunteers, Children's Room Volunteers, Volunteer Mail Couriers, and Senior Lounge Volunteers.

Other programs where volunteers made a big difference were: Pumpkin Patch, Breakfast w/ Santa, Holly Days, Easter Egg Hunt, Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Dance, Mom and Me Tea, and many others. Thanks so much to all of our wonderful volunteers.

To be a part of the program, call the Volunteer Office at 896-8411 or visit [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org). The Volunteer Office can be found listed under Parks and Recreation.

## Publish It!

Working with Microsoft Word and Publisher, we will take a look at some of the bells and whistles that turn a typed letter into a colorful article complimented with photos and clip art.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	10 - 11 am	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	10 - 11 am	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	10 - 11 am	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Google It!!!

From advanced web searching to getting directions to a restaurant, Google.com can do it all for you. Learn about all of the additional services that are available with a click of a mouse.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	11:15 am - 12:15 pm	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	11:15 am - 12:15 pm	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	11:15 am - 12:15 pm	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## E-mail and Instant Messaging with Yahoo!

Learn the ins and outs of e-mailing and instant messaging with Yahoo! We will sign you up for a free e-mail account and start connecting with friends and family from across the country and over seas.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	1 - 2 pm	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	1 - 2 pm	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	1 - 2 pm	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Digital Photography I: The Basics

This class is for those who have or are thinking about upgrading to the world of digital photography. Learn how to upload your pictures onto your computer, send them to friends and family, and set them as your desktop background and screen saver.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	2:15 - 3:15 pm	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	2:15 - 3:15 pm	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	2:15 - 3:15 pm	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Digital Photography II: Picasa2

Get more out of your pictures with a free download from Google called Picasa2. Learn how to adjust color and contrast, crop and resize, save and manage your database of images.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 4 & 11	M	3:30 - 4:30 pm	\$15
Mar 3 & 10	M	3:30 - 4:30 pm	\$15
May 5 & 12	M	3:30 - 4:30 pm	\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams



## DAY-TRIPS

GET-A-WAY FOR A DAY WITH FAIRFIELD PARKS & RECREATION

### Grand Victoria Casino

Discover the sizzle of Grand Victoria Casino in Rising Sun, Indiana. Enjoy nearly 1,500 of the newest and hottest slots, plus a wide variety of your favorite table games. Guests will receive \$10 cash coupon from Grand Victoria Casino. Plus, join us for Out to Lunch at Grand Victoria's River View Buffet.



Date	Day	Time	Fee
February 22	Friday	10 am - 5 pm	\$15

### Keeneland Horse Racing

Experience live horse racing during Keeneland's Spring Meet and the running of the Stonerside Beaumont Stakes. This price includes round trip transportation, a reserved grandstand seat, general admission and a race day program.



Date	Day	Time	Fee
April 10	Thursday	10:30 am - 8 pm	\$40

### Belterra Casino

An oasis in the Indiana heartland that offers premier gaming and entertainment opportunities around every corner. From their spacious casino to the delectable array of restaurants, Belterra is the perfect place to escape to for an afternoon. Check the 55 Plus Newsletter for more information.

### West Side Story

AT LA COMEDIA DINNER THEATER

Winner of 10 Academy Awards and two Tony Awards, Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story is one of the all-time great American musicals, with explosive dancing and some of the most electrifying music ever written for the Broadway stage, including *Maria*, *Tonight* and *I Feel Pretty*. Check the 55 Plus Newsletter for more information.



## TRAVEL ADVENTURES

WITH YOUR MAN TOURS, INC.

Individual tour flyers on the following trips are available. Contact Jim Williams at Your Man Tours, 772-4411 or (800)968-9626. Remember to say you are traveling with Fairfield Parks & Recreation.

### Canadian Rockies

14 DAYS

Fly to Sioux Falls to begin a fantastic tour of the northern U.S. and the Canadian provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta, highlighting the beautiful Canadian Rockies. Enjoy Bonanzaville, ND, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Academy Calgary, Lake Louise, Banff, Little Big Horn, Mt. Rushmore and more.

Date	Fee
May 25	\$1,748*

\*Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Airfare is included.

### The Northwest

SAN FRANCISCO TO SEATTLE, PLUS AN ALASKA CRUISE

15 DAYS

You begin as you fly to lovely San Francisco for 2 nights. Continue touring by motor coach as we feature Reno/Lake Tahoe, Oregon and Portland. In Seattle, board Norwegian Cruise Line's "Star" for your 7 day Alaska Cruise including the Inside Passage, Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway and more. Upon disembarking, tour Seattle, then overnight before flying home the next day.

Date	Fee
July 27	from \$2,697*

\*Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Airfare is included.

### Hawaii Tour & Cruise

17 DAYS

Fly to Honolulu for a 3 night stay. Board the "Spirit" as you float away for a 13 day cruise. Featured are the Hawaiian Islands of Oahu, Kauai, Kona & Hilo, Hawaii, and Maui. Then immerse yourself in the many amenities and activities of the ship during a relaxing Trans Pacific voyage to Ensenada, Mexico and finally to San Diego for a tour and overnight before you fly home.

Date	Fee
October 3	\$2,463*

\*Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Airfare is included.

# INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING IN RETIREMENT

The Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR) at Miami University provides learning opportunities for all persons age 50 or above who are retired or semi-retired. In cooperation with the Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department, learning opportunities are now being offered at the Community Arts Center.



No particular experience or educational background is required. For more information, please contact Miami University Office of Continuing Education at 513-529-8600 or email [continuingeducation@muohio.edu](mailto:continuingeducation@muohio.edu). Registration forms and class offerings are available in the Senior Adult Lounge and online at [www.muohio.edu/ce/ilr](http://www.muohio.edu/ce/ilr).

## VILLAGE GREEN

### 2008 Groovin' on the Green Concert Series

Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy the sixth edition of the concerts at Village Green Park. Every musical taste will be satisfied in this summer-long series at the park's amphitheater. The series will kick off with the Fairfield High School Bands on May 29th at 6:30 pm (all remaining concerts through August 28th will start at 7:00 pm). Other great bands include the Miami Steel Drum Band and The Franz Klaber Orchestra (a.k.a. The Klaberheads), and many more! The complete schedule will be available in the next edition of the Fairfield Flyer or check the official home page of the Groovin' on the Green Concert series at [www.fairfield-city.org/concerts](http://www.fairfield-city.org/concerts) for updates.

**Concert Series sponsors sought**  
Sponsorships are available for the 2008 Groovin' on the Green Concert Series. Every year local businesses help support this series that brings thousands of people to Fairfield and the Village Green area. As a concert series sponsor, your business is listed in all print materials (such as this newsletter and more), city website, and on signage at each concert (depending on level of sponsorship.) For information on sponsorship levels and how to get involved with the biggest event in Fairfield, contact Ben Strickler of the Parks & Recreation Department at 896-8414 or [bstrickler@fairfield-city.org](mailto:bstrickler@fairfield-city.org).

### 2008 Movies in the Park

This year's series of Movies in the Park, at Village Green, will begin on Friday night, May 2, with *The Rescuers*. A different movie will be featured throughout the summer on the first Friday of the month through October 3. In addition to the movies listed below, the Fairfield Fire Department will also have pre-show fun for the entire family. All movies begin at dusk.

Date	Day	Movie
May 2	Friday	The Rescuers
June 6	Friday	Tarzan
July 11	Friday	Ratatouille
August 1	Friday	Home on the Range
September 5	Friday	Meet the Robinsons
October 3	Friday	Peter Pan

**Location:** Village Green Amphitheater

### Fairfield Idol/Open Auditions

Open auditions will be held at the Community Arts Center to any resident of Fairfield and Fairfield Township (residence must be within the Fairfield City School District) ages 12 and older. Contestants will be asked to sing a portion of song accepella from the following genres: Pop, Rock, Country, R&B, or Standards. Contestants must complete a registration form that can be found on the official Fairfield Idol web page at [www.fairfield-city.org/parks/idol](http://www.fairfield-city.org/parks/idol) or at the Community Arts Center during normal business hours (a parent or guardian's signature is necessary for individuals under the age of 18 years). Further dates of the contest will be available online and at the all of the audition dates listed below. (Elected officials, appointed officials, and employees of the City of Fairfield and their immediate family members are prohibited from participation in this contest.)

Session	Date	Day	Time	Location
Audition 1	May 1	Th	6:30 pm	CAC Community Room
Audition 2	May 6	T	6:30 pm	CAC Community Room
Audition 3	May 14	W	6:30 pm	CAC Community Room
Call Backs	May 21	W	6:30 pm	CAC Theater

## MARSH FISHING LAKE

Fairfield's fishing lake will open the weekend of Friday, March 7, for its eleventh season. The lake is open weekends only until Friday, March 21. Then the lake is open daily, weather permitting. If in doubt, call the bait house at 858-1685. Bait and some fishing equipment are available near the parking lot and entrance on East River Road.

**Lake Opens..... March 7**

### 2008 Fishing Lake Fees

Adults	Seniors*	Youth	Child†	Twilight
16+	55+	7-15	6 & under	After 5 pm
\$10	\$9	\$5	Free	\$5 adult/\$3 youth

Family Day Pass (\$20/Residents Only)

\* Must have Golden Buckeye Card. † Must be accompanied by a paying adult  
There is a two-pole limit for adults and a one-pole limit for those under 6 years of age. Lake rules are posted at the Bait Shop.

### Special Events

On these special days, a new fishing pole will be awarded to the guest of honor catching the day's largest fish.

Event	Date
Mothers Day	May 11
Fathers Day	June 15
Senior Day	July 4

### Customer Appreciation Weekend

**AUGUST 30-31 AND SEPTEMBER 1**

We will celebrate customer appreciation weekend at Marsh Park. The first 50, paying fisherman for each day will receive a free gift.

### Youth Fishing Tournament

**JUNE 14, JULY 12 & AUGUST 9**

A Youth Fishing Tournament will be held from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the second Saturday of the summer months. Price of admission is the entry fee, which is \$5 for all kids under 15 years old. Prizes will be awarded for the winners.

### All Night Fishing

**FRIDAY, MAY 23 - SUNDAY, MAY 25**

**EACH WEEKEND DURING JUNE, JULY, AUGUST**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 & 13**

During these weekends, Marsh Lake will remain open for the entire weekend, opening at 6 a.m. on Friday and remaining open until 9:30 pm on Sunday. Regular general admission will be charged every 12 hours at the lake.

### Youth Learn to Fish

**JUNE 8, JULY 13, AUGUST 10**

Any Fairfield youth 8 years or older that would like to learn to fish can call Marsh Lake to set up an appointment with the Fishing Lake Manager. One-hour sessions are offered on the second Sunday of each month between noon to 2:00 p.m. Each child will be responsible for paying admission to get into the lake. To sign up for an appointment, call Marsh Fishing Lake at 858-1685.

### Senior Fishing

**WEDNESDAYS**

Fairfield resident Seniors can fish for free at Marsh Park. A senior is defined as anyone who qualifies for a Golden Buckeye Card.



## GOLF/NORTH & SOUTH TRACE

### 2008 Leagues & Outings

Now is the time to make arrangements for your 2008 leagues and outings. Please call now to get early jump on open or work leagues. Discounted greens fees are also being offered now through February 29. Greens fees are currently \$12 for 9 holes/ \$19 for 18 holes. (Juniors/Senior are \$9 for 9 holes and \$14 for 18 holes). We also have discounted cart rentals. For more information, call 858-7750. The Golf Professional are Dave Hartman and Keith Crutcher.

### R.E.A.C.H. for Golf/JUNIOR GOLF

This program for junior golfers from 9-17 will be held in conjunction with a national program called REACH (Rules, Etiquette, Appreciation, Conduct, History). Please bring your golf clubs. The 2008 R.E.A.C.H. card will be good at both of the city courses Monday thru Friday, except outing and leagues and on Saturday, Sunday and holidays after noon. For more information, call 858-7750 (South Trace) and 939-3741 (North Trace)

Date	Day	Time	Location	R/NR Fee
May 31	Sa	10 - 11:30 am	North Trace	\$10*
June 7	Sa	10 - 11:30 am	North Trace	\$10*

\* Anyone who already has a R.E.A.C.H. card may pay this \$10.00 fee and get their updated sticker at anytime at the North Trace Pro Shop

### Rates for Golf

SOUTH TRACE	Weekdays	Weekends/Holidays	
<b>Senior/Junior*</b>			
18 holes	\$23.00	\$26.00	\$18.00
9 holes	\$14.25	N/A	\$12.00
Cart Rental/per person	\$14 (18 holes)	\$7 (9 holes)	

NORTH TRACE	Weekdays	Weekends/Holidays	
<b>Senior/Junior*</b>			
9 holes	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$9.00
Cart Rental/per person	\$6 (9 holes)		

\* Not valid on holidays or league play. To qualify, Seniors must be 55 years or older; Juniors must be 17 or younger.



### Rent the South Trace Banquet Center

To rent the Banquet Center at the South Trace Golf Course, call 858-7750 for prices and availability of the facility. The Banquet Room overlooks the golf course with a spectacular view of the fairways and greens. Dates and times are limited, so call well in advance of your event to assure your date is available. Discounts are available for Fairfield residents and non-profit organizations.

## HARBIN PARK

### Sledding and Cross Country Skiing

9 A.M. - 9 P.M. (WHEN CONDITIONS PERMIT)

While everybody else is inside looking out at the snow, Harbin Park will be coming to life with sled riding and cross country skiing. Of course, we'll need the right snow amounts, but when we do, bring the whole family and your friends to enjoy the season. (Please note that the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to close the sled riding hill because of inadequate snow cover, low temperatures, dangerous wind chill factors, lack of participants or for any safety related reasons.

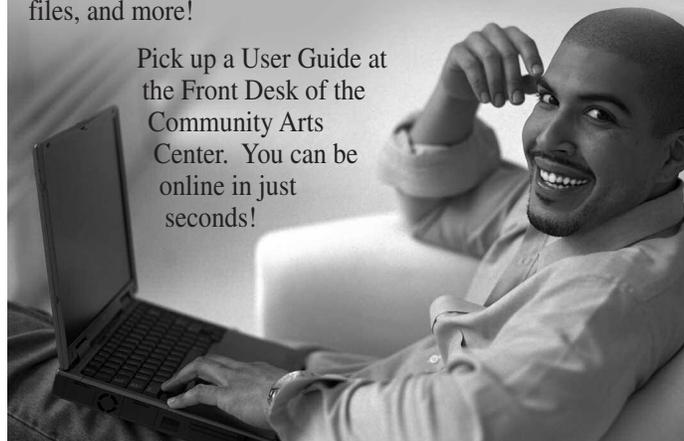
## WATERWORKS PARK

### Chipping Program

The City of Fairfield Parks Department will be accepting limbs and brush on the Second Saturday of every month throughout the year. The dates for the spring/summer months are March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12. The time that you can drop off your limbs is from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The location site is on Groh lane, just past Waterworks Park. If you have any questions about the Chipping program please feel free to call the Fairfield Parks Department at 867-5348.

## Wireless Internet Access now available at Fairfield Community Arts Center

The Fairfield Community Arts Center has gone wireless! Staying productive is easier and more convenient than ever. Relax in the comfort of the lounge or café areas as you wait while your family member attends classes or other Parks and Recreation activities. Or just enjoy the welcoming atmosphere at the Arts Center while you stay connected. Whatever your needs, you can check your e-mail, access your corporate network, download files, and more!



Pick up a User Guide at the Front Desk of the Community Arts Center. You can be online in just seconds!

# REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY FOR ALL 2008 WINTER & SPRING PROGRAMS.

**SUMMER PROGRAMS REGISTRATION BEGINS WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 (FRIDAY, MAY 16, FOR NON-RESIDENTS)**

Program registration is accepted at the Parks and Recreation office in the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive.

**Walk-In Registration**

All registration takes place at the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department Office in the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive. Walk-in registration is available on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Telephone Registration**

Registration may be made by calling 867-5348 during office hours. Payment for telephone registration must be made by Visa or MasterCard

**Programs often fill quickly, so please plan to register early. Please note that the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any class due to poor registration.**

## REFUND & TRANSFER POLICY

Refunds will not be given unless:

- Full refunds will be issued ONLY if the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department cancels the program, rental, or activity.
- Refunds will not be given if requested less than 7 days prior to the day a program or event is scheduled to begin.
- All refunds will be assessed a \$5 Program/Processing Fee.
- Class or session transfers and changes made to facility

rentals are also subject to a \$5 Program/Processing Fee, unless the change is initiated by the Parks and Recreation staff.

- Exceptions: Participant moves from the Fairfield area before the program begins (proof of move must be presented). Participant becomes ill (must present a doctor's statement). Exceptions are still subject to the \$5 Program/Processing Fee.
- A charge of \$25 will be assessed on all returned checks.

USE THIS REGISTRATION FORM

### REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & FILL OUT COMPLETELY

OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIPT No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ADULT PARTICIPANT (OR PARENT OR GUARDIAN)	LAST	FIRST			MI
	ADDRESS				CITY
	STATE	ZIP	EMAIL		
ID No.	DAY PHONE ( ) -	NIGHT PHONE ( ) -	IN CASE OF EMERGENCY ( ) -		

LAST	PARTICIPANT NAME			BIRTHDATE			SEX	ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	FEE
	FIRST	MI	MO	DAY	YR				

DOES THE PARTICIPANT NEED ANY SPECIAL ASSISTANCE?  YES  NO  
IF YES, WHAT ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED?

WILL PARTICIPANT SUPPLY SOMEONE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE?  YES  NO

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO CITY OF FAIRFIELD. MAIL OR DROP REGISTRATION, WITH APPROPRIATE FEES, TO:

FAIRFIELD PARKS & RECREATION  
CLASS REGISTRATION  
411 WESSEL DRIVE  
FAIRFIELD, OHIO 45014

YOU MAY FAX REGISTRATION TO 867-6070

TOTAL FEES	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

**WAIVER:** IN CONSIDERATION OF YOUR ACCEPTING ME OR MY CHILD'S ENTRY, I HEREBY, FOR MYSELF, MY CHILD, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNEES, DO HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, ALL SPONSORS, COORDINATING GROUPS, VOLUNTEERS, AND ANY INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT/CLASS/TEAM FOR ALL CLAIMS OR DAMAGES, ACTIONS AND WHATSOEVER IN ANY MANNER ARISING OR GROWING OUT OF MY PARTICIPATION IN SAID EVENT/CLASS/TEAM. I DO HEREBY GRANT AND GIVE THESE GROUPS THE RIGHT TO USE MY OR MY CHILD'S PHOTOGRAPH OR IMAGE WITH OR WITHOUT MY OR MY CHILD'S NAME, BOTH SINGLE AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER PERSONS OR OBJECTS FOR ANY AND ALL PURPOSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS, ADVERTISING, PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONS RELATING THERETO.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION (FOR MINORS):** GRANT CONSENT, IN THE EVENT REASONABLE ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT ME AT THE STATE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL, I HEREBY GIVE MY CONSENT FOR 1) THE TRANSFER OF THE CHILD TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL REASONABLY ACCESSIBLE; 2) THE ADMINISTRATION OF ANY TREATMENT DEEMED NECESSARY BY A LICENSED PHYSICIAN OR DENTIST. THIS AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT COVER MAJOR SURGERY, UNLESS THE MEDICAL OPINIONS OF TWO OTHER LICENSED PHYSICIANS OR DENTISTS, CONCURRING IN THE NECESSITY FOR SUCH SURGERY, ARE OBTAINED PRIOR TO THE PERFORMANCE OF SUCH SURGERY.

LIST FACTS CONCERNING THE CHILD'S MEDICAL HISTORY INCLUDING ALLERGIES, MEDICATIONS:

**FORM OF PAYMENT**  CASH  CHECK  MONEY ORDER  VISA  MASTERCARD

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION**

NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE CARD TYPE   EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT OF PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

# Fairfield -vs- Oxford in recycling challenge

Most observers knew it would come down to this. A showdown, a face-off, a no-holds-barred throw-down between Fairfield and Oxford, the two top recycling communities in Butler County. With everybody going Green, each community faces making some green from the challenge... in the way of cash-back incentives from the Butler County Solid Waste District (BCSWD).



Currently, BCSWD compares communities by the percentage of the trash they recycle. With each being different sizes, it's the fair way to make comparisons for the recycling efforts of each community. In terms of sheer tonnage, Fairfield recycles 1,838 tons of materials annually, the most in Butler County. Oxford recycles 975 tons. But person for person, based on population, Fairfield recycles 10.5 percent of its waste compared to Oxford's 15.5 percent.

"We want to kick their Green butts," said one unidentified Fairfield

employee who plans to assume a leadership role in the battle to defeat Oxford in what will surely go down in the history books as the 2008 Green Wars of Butler County.

Actually, the face-off is one of several being suggested in serious fun by the BCSWD as part of what's actually being called the Recycle to Win Challenge. Each community is being challenged by the BCSWD to take on its closest competitor to boost recycling rates countywide.

Currently, the bottom line shows a

recycling rate of 7.5 percent for all communities. The goal is to get the countywide rate above 10 percent. Both Oxford and Fairfield are well above the goal... but even those rates can be improved.

If you are not recycling, PLEASE consider starting a household recycling effort just with cans as a beginning point. Once in the habit, you'll quickly start tossing in other items which can be recycled. For a complete list of items accepted, visit [www.fairfield-city.org/Utilities/trash/Recycling\\_1830.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/Utilities/trash/Recycling_1830.cfm).

The energy saved by recycling does make a difference. Watch any environmental program and see what greenhouse gases are already causing globally, with polar ice caps melting and unusual shifts in weather patterns. Recycling reduces greenhouse gases.

If you are not recycling because you don't have a bin, consider stopping by the April 5 Fairfield Home Expo (see story on front page). Each year, 500 bins are offered without charge. At other times, bins are available at the City's Utilities Office for a nominal charge.

In 2007, Fairfield earned recycling incentive awards from BCSWD in the amount of \$12,628. That number would be \$31,000 in 2008 as part of an increased incentive program offered to entice continued — and even increased — recycling commitments on the part of residents.

If Fairfield can motivate residents to recycle more than 15 percent of its trash in 2008, the City would receive an even higher incentive rate and a fatter check well more than \$40,000... now THAT's a lot of green!

## A clean house is a safer house

When it's time for spring cleaning, remember a clean house is a safer house. Trash, boxes, piles of clothes and other combustibles in the home are fuel for a fire. Getting rid of them will help reduce the chance of fire in your home.

When storing heating devices to be used again next winter, make sure electric cords are not frayed or damaged. Remove fuel before storing a kerosene heater. Often overlooked is the electric blanket. Follow the washing, care and storage instructions that came with the blanket.

Clean out storage areas such as garages,

attics, closets, sheds and basements on a regular basis. Even warehouses are limited to the amount of storage they can safely keep. Discard or donate items no longer in use. Clutter gives fire a place to start and creates obstacles that might slow or prevent escape from a fire.

Oily rags can ignite without a heat source since they produce their own heat. Throw them out or store them in a closed metal container. This includes dusting rags used with a furniture polish or spray.

For more Fire Prevention Tips contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 867-5378.

## On March 9, spring forward & change over

Is the small cost of a battery keeping you from safeguarding your family? When you "spring forward" for Daylight Savings Time on Sunday, March 9, remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors, too. Smoke detector batteries need to be changed once a year.

This simple act will cut the risk of dying in a home fire by nearly half.

If your smoke detector is more than 10 years old, plan to replace it. After 10 years, most lose much of their sensitivity and may not work properly.

## Bin not BIG enough?

Rumpke, Fairfield's curbside waste contractor, will pilot larger recycling bins in Montgomery this year. The new containers are similar to, but smaller than, the rolling waste "toters" many homeowners use for regular trash. If all goes well, Rumpke may be on its way to offering larger recycling containers than the traditional bins that — for many residents — are limiting the amount of items they recycle.

# When the heavy

*Because some areas of Fairfield have been identified in a flood prone area, the Federal Emergency Management Administration has asked that residents take the time to be informed about flood issues. Questions regarding this information can be directed to the Development Manager's office at 867-5345.*

## History of Flooding in Fairfield

Low lying areas of Fairfield are subject to periodic flooding caused by overflow of the Great Miami River during the period from mid-winter to mid-spring, with the two largest floods (those of March 1913 and January 1959) occurring during that period. The waters from the Great Miami River cause backwater flooding on Pleasant Run Creek for a distance of approximately one-half mile. It is in this reach and in the area along the east bank of the river that the greatest flooding occurs.

The headwater flows from Pleasant Run also flood this area, but not to the extent and severity of the Great Miami River. Shallow flooding situations occur where water overtops the banks of Pleasant Run.

Repeated damage to structures in the flood plains of these streams has occurred during the floods of 1913, 1937, 1943, 1945, 1959, 1963, 1964, 1974 and 2003. The 1959 flood, the largest to occur in this area since the Miami Conservancy District facilities were completed, is estimated to have a frequency of occurrence between 40 and 50 years.

## Flood Warning System

When the area receives heavy rainfall, flood warnings are issued by the radio and TV stations in Cincinnati. Channel 5 (WLW), Channel 9 (WCPO), Channel 12 (WKRC), Channel 19 (WXIX) and WMOH all issue information as to the severity of the rainfall and broadcast flood warnings. Channel 41 on Time Warner Cable has continual weather information and issues flood warnings when they occur.

**Find out if your home or business is located in a flood zone through Fairfield's interactive maps. Visit the City's Web site at [www.fairfield-city.org/planning/map.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/planning/map.cfm).**

## Flood Safety

Residents of flood hazard areas can take several actions to decrease the potential of injury due to flooding.

- Do not attempt to cross a flowing stream where the water is above your knees.
- Keep children away from flood waters, ditches, culverts and storm drains.
- If your vehicle stalls in high water, abandon it immediately and seek higher ground.
- Evacuate the flood hazard area in times of impending flood.
- Cut off all electrical circuits at the fuse panel or disconnect switches. If this is not possible, turn off or disconnect all electric appliances. Shut off the water services and gas valves in your home.

## Flood Insurance

**Standard homeowners insurance policies do not cover losses due to floods.** However, Fairfield is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes it possible for Fairfield property owners to obtain federally backed flood insurance. This insurance is available to any owner of insurable property (a building or its contents) in Fairfield. Tenants may also insure their personal property against flood loss.

The actual cost will vary depending upon the amount of coverage and the degree of flood hazard. Persons who live or own property in flood hazard areas are urged to purchase flood insurance to protect themselves from losses due to flooding. This insurance is required in certain instances, such as the purchase of a home with a federally backed mortgage.

## Property Protection Measures

There are various actions which can be taken to floodproof structures. Electrical panel boxes, furnaces, water heaters and washers/dryers should be elevated or relocated to a location less likely to be flooded. Basement floor drains and interior and exterior backwater valves can be installed, and interior floodwalls can be placed around utilities.

# rains come...

If flooding is likely, and time permits, move essential items and furniture to the upper floors of your home. Keep materials like sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber handy for emergency waterproofing. This action will help minimize the amount of damage caused by floodwaters.

## Flood Hazard Areas

Two types of flood hazard areas are designated in Fairfield: the floodway and the flood fringe. To determine if you live in, or own property in, a flood hazard district, contact the Development Manager at 867-5345.

There are pamphlets available which discuss items of interest to residents of flood hazard areas. These may be obtained at the Office of the Development Manager at no charge. Information is also available in the Fairfield Lane Public Library, 1485 Corydale Drive.

## Maintenance of Drainage Systems

Fairfield has a storm drainage system which is comprised of both open and closed segments. The open sections are drainage swales/ditches which are utilized to carry storm waters away from homes and businesses to drainage areas, such as creeks. The closed system is comprised of storm water inlets and piping which also carry the water from streets and developments to drainage areas or drywells. Drywells allow the storm water to percolate into the underlying sand and gravel which exist in certain sections of Fairfield.

Maintenance of these systems is very important. Debris in ditches and streams obstruct the flow of water which can cause overflow onto roads and into yards. Partial or complete filling in any of these ditches can reduce the flood flow capacity, which will also result in overflow into roads or onto private property. It is extremely important that used oil, leaves and other debris are not deposited in drywells.

Maintenance of the drainage system is very important so that a high flood flow capacity can be realized. To aid in this, the City of Fairfield clears and performs maintenance work on the system at least two times each year. Work is also performed on an emergency basis as needed.

Citizens are expected to perform routine maintenance on ditches located on right-of-ways in front of or to the rear of their properties. This includes the removal of high weeds, litter, or other items which may be considered a nuisance. Also, property shall be maintained so that water cannot become stagnant, thus eliminating breeding areas for mosquitoes.

If you know of unapproved changes occurring to the drainage system, such as filling or rerouting of streams or ditches, or a nuisance situation which exists, please contact the Development Manager at 867-5345.

Additional information on floods and related topics is available for review at the Fairfield Lane Public Library. Other pamphlets on floods and related items can be obtained at the Development Manager's office.

## Substantial Improvement Requirements

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requires that if the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50 percent of the building's market value, then the building must meet the same construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards (*e.g., a residence damaged so that the cost of repairs equals or exceeds 50 percent of the building's value before it was damaged, must be elevated above the base flooding elevation*).

## Floodplain Development Regulations

The City of Fairfield requires permits for any development located in a floodplain. A development permit is required before any construction can begin and, if a residential, commercial, or industrial building is part of the project, an elevation certificate is required after the structure is built. Before any filling or building is done, the City of Fairfield's Planning Department should be contacted.

If anyone observes an activity within the floodplain of the City which they suspect might be illegal or a violation of existing ordinances, they should report this to the Development Manager at 867-5345.

# Turner & Wysong earn STAR of year honor

Jason Turner and Robert "RC" Wysong have been awarded the 2007 STAR of the Year award for their service and teamwork during the year. Each quarter, outstanding employees are recognized for their service, with a STAR of the Year honor bestowed at the end of the year.

Jason and RC are Operator/Maintenance Workers in the Wastewater Division. Last year, they were recognized for their work on a special project that was critical to long-term planning for their division.



In order to work on the project, both had to acquire special skills so they could install 36

computerized flow monitors throughout the sewer collection system, then retrieve the monitors 90 days later. Once retrieved, the data was forwarded to a local engineering firm for analysis. Without their willingness to work on the project, the City would have had to contract with an outside company at a cost of approximately \$25,000 to \$30,000.

## At your Service

Never hesitate to contact any of the following departments with questions or concerns. They're here to help...

**Police or Fire Emergency**  
**911**

Urgent, but not an emergency? Call 829-8201.

<b>Non-Emergency</b>	
Police/Fire Dispatcher .....	513/829-8201
Fire Department .....	513/867-5379
Building Inspection & Zoning .....	513/867-5318
City Council Office .....	513/867-5383
City Manager's Office .....	513/867-5350
Finance Department .....	513/867-5315
Income Tax Office .....	513/867-5327
Human Resources .....	513/867-5352
Municipal Court .....	513/867-6002
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation Dept.</b>	
Administrative Offices .....	513/867-5348
Community Arts Center .....	513/867-5348
Aquatic Center .....	513/939-2782
18-hole Golf Course .....	513/858-7750
9-hole Golf Course .....	513/939-3741
<b>Development Services</b> .....	513/867-5345
<b>Public Works Department</b> .....	513/867-4200
<b>Public Utilities</b>	
Customer Billing .....	513/867-5370
Director .....	513/867-5375
Wastewater Division .....	513/858-7760
Water Division .....	513/858-7775
<b>All Other Calls</b> .....	513/867-5300
<b>Telecomm. Device for the Deaf (TDD)</b> .....	513/867-5392

## Matala wins 4<sup>th</sup> quarter STAR award

Janette Matala has received the STAR Award for the fourth quarter of 2007.

As Fairfield's Zoning Inspector/Clerk, Janette sometimes comes across properties in violation of code because they need repair, maintenance or lawn care. Usually a letter is all it takes for the homeowner to address the problems and bring their property into code compliance.

Occasionally, however, the property belongs to an elderly or disabled citizen unable to address the repairs. On at least two occasions, Janette has contacted the City's Volunteer Coordinator to get help for the homeowners from RASKALS (*Random Acts of Simple Kindness Affecting Local Seniors*).

But Janette's involvement doesn't stop with the telephone call asking for help... she often volunteers with the crew who addresses the needs she identified in the course of her job. In some cases, the assignment took a crew of workers six hours over a two-day period to chip, shred and dispose of yard waste at one home.

Janette's commitment is the kind of dedication that often goes unnoticed. That's the kind of employee deserving of STAR status.

Fairfield is always interested in knowing of employees worthy of STAR status, defined as when a staff member exhibits the qualities of Service, Teamwork, Above and beyond performance, and Reliability. If you know of such a person deserving of special recognition, contact the City Manager's Office at 867-5350 to offer details.

## Dave Bock hanging up his transit

You can't drive through Fairfield without seeing the benefits of his years of service. In fact, the road you'd be driving on was probably built, repaired, or maintained under the direction of Public Works Director Dave Bock.



David Bock

After more than 32 years of service to Fairfield, Dave will be retiring at the end of March. Under Dave's leadership, the Public Works Department earned national accreditation by the American Public Works Association.

During his years of service, his

department has received numerous awards, most recently for the bank stabilization along River Road, made necessary when strong currents washed out the road and necessitated emergency repairs. The project was recognized as the APWA Project of the Year. That same project also received the American Society of Highway Engineers Award.

Dave joined Fairfield in 1975 as an Engineering Aide, then advanced to Assistant to the City Engineer. In 1990, he became Public Works Director.

# RADON: too close to home

It's an invisible, odorless, radioactive gas that wasn't even an issue until recent revelations from the U.S. Surgeon General that it is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. The Surgeon General's report noted that more than 21,000 deaths a year are caused by radon gas, a byproduct of decaying uranium naturally found in the rocks and soil far below the ground. By comparison, an estimated 5,000 people die annually from second-hand smoke.

Butler County is in an area of high concentrations of radon gas. In fact, Federal Environmental Protection Agency lists Butler, Warren and Hamilton Counties as the second most populated area of high radon concentrations, second only to an area in Pennsylvania.

## No cause for immediate alarm

Some Fairfield residents have likely lived for years with some level of radon gas in their homes with little known consequence. Ignoring the potential that radon gas can be seeping into your home, however, may not be in the best interest of your family.

Keep in mind, radon gas does not pose an immediate threat on the level of something like carbon monoxide. Yet, in high concentrations, emerging research is showing that long term effects can be significant.

Because the gas slowly seeps through cracks and other small openings in the foundation and concrete slab, lower levels of a building are more affected. Even if no cracks are visible, radon can seep through the concrete itself. Homes with crawl spaces and sump pumps are more vulnerable, since the large openings allow gas to easily infiltrate the home. Today's air-tight

construction helps hold the gas inside.

## Check in-home radon levels

The first step is to determine if — indeed — unacceptable levels of radon gas are present. Experts confidently report that some level of the gas is present in every home, the real concern is the concentrations. The EPA has established 4 pico curies per liter (pCi/L) and higher as the threshold of the radon danger level.

In-home test kits are available at some local hardware stores ranging in price from \$10 to \$35. The Butler County Health Department (telephone 863-1770) offers a test kit for \$10, while supplies last. The inexpensive kits offer a device that samples the air. The test is then mailed to a lab for results, which are then mailed back to the homeowner.

In-home radon tests can also be undertaken by a licensed radon professional at a cost of \$125 - \$150. In most cases, an electronic device is left in your home for a 48-hour period, with immediate results when the monitoring device is picked-up.

## If high radon levels are found

While there is no requirement to address a finding of high levels of radon, prudent families will want to inquire into addressing the issue due to the long term health threat. Increasingly, home buyers are asking for radon testing, requiring that the issue be addressed as a condition of sale.

Radon mitigation is not a complex undertaking. And, in most cases, the cost is less than you might think: as little as \$750, and rarely more than \$1,200.

Accessible cracks and openings (i.e. water lines) are sealed. A system is then installed that gently vacuums the area under a concrete floor or crawl space. In homes where a sump pump is

present, an air tight cover is installed with a pipe connection to the top. The pipe leads outside to a small air pump that maintains negative pressure, gently pulling the gas from beneath the structure and venting it to above the house. Crawl spaces are covered with a heavy plastic material and outfitted with a pipe similar to that connected to the sump pump. If a sump pump is not present, a hole is drilled through the slab to sink a vent pipe under the floor.

In most cases, the system can be installed in a day, sometimes within 3-4 hours.

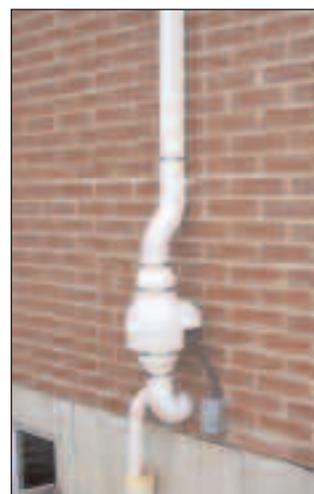
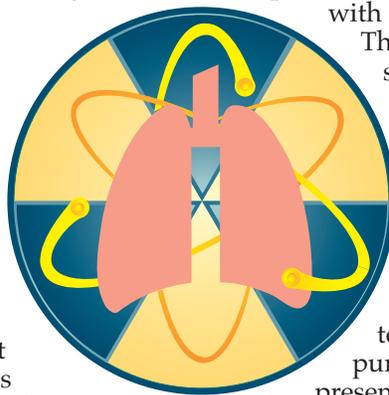
## Locating a radon professional

In Ohio, radon testing and mitigation companies must be licensed and must follow strict guidelines. Check to be sure your contractor is certified in radon installations.

Always check to be sure the contractor guarantees the installation will address the radon issue and reduce the levels to less than 4 pCi/L. Be sure the contractor returns after installation to retest levels so you are confident the system works.

Always check the contractor's reputation. Don't hesitate to call the Better Business Bureau for a reference.

For more information about radon, visit the US EPA's website at [www.epa.gov/radon](http://www.epa.gov/radon) or call the Radon Information Hotline (tollfree) at 1-800-523-4439.



*An exterior fan provides a gentle vacuum to pull radon from beneath a basement slab and vents to the outside.*

**The April 5 Fairfield Home Expo will include a booth by At Home Radon, Inc., a Cincinnati company which tests for radon and installs radon mitigation systems.**



# Bits and Pieces

## 2008 Council welcomes new and returning members

Terry Senger became the newest member of City Council at the beginning of the year, representing the residents of the fourth ward. Although newly elected to City Council, he previously served on Council from 1994 until 1997.

The three other ward Council Members also began new terms in January. They are Michael Snyder, Marty Judd and Mitch Rhodus, representing the first, second and third wards, respectively.

All four Council Members will serve four-year terms ending in December 2011.

## Cincinnati Reds planning a June 10 tribute to Nuxhall

The Cincinnati Reds will honor the memory Joe Nuxhall at their game against the Cardinals on June 10. Gametime will be 7:10 p.m. The date represents the anniversary of Joe's first pitch in the major leagues. The event is still in the planning stage, but those interested in attending may want to

reserve the date and contact the Reds for tickets when sales begin. For more information on tickets, contact Patrick with the Cincinnati Reds at 765-7057.

## FHS to offers March 8 summer activities/job fair

Thanks to the primary sponsorship of the Fairfield Rotary Club, a Summer Activities and Job Fair will be presented at Fairfield High School on March 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event is designed for parents and students in grades 6 through 12. A wealth of information — all in one place — will be available regarding summer jobs, camps, educational programs, recreational programs and volunteer opportunities.

## Workshop to help those needing to rebuild credit

Ohio Treasurer Richard Cordray has announced an evening workshop in Butler County to help financially troubled residents in need of rebuilding their credit. The program will be held in the auditorium of the Butler Tech Career

Center, 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Road, on Monday, February 25. The workshop will be offered from 6 to 8 p.m.

The program will focus on various issues relating to credit card debt, income loss, divorce, medical bills and foreclosure.

The workshop is provided without charge, however, registration is required so that presenters know how many participants to expect. To register, call (tollfree) 1-800-228-1102.

## Community Arts Center set to host your function

For a unique, central location with plenty of parking for your business function or social event, consider renting the Community Arts Center's Community Room. Able to accommodate up to 240 guests, the Community Room overlooks Village Green Park and includes a full catering kitchen and amenities and services for a worry-free event.

Other amenities available include the 250-seat theater. For more information, call 867-5348.



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